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Minutes of Smithfield Monthly Meeting
5/26/61 to 1-27-1976

5-26-'61 At Smithfield Monthly Meeting of Friends held at Woonsocket, R.I. Fifth Month 26, 1961.

The Minutes of last Meeting are read.

The Treasurer's Report gives a balance of $18.50 in General Fund with all bills paid to date.

The Sunshine Committee reports a sympathy card sent to Warren Rowe, Programs and Sermons sent to Addie Paine, Lila Smith, Ann Aldrich, Agnes Brindle, Francis Worrall (all but 2) weekly. One week a Trotty Veck sent to each.

A letter from the Clerk of Smithfield Quarterly Meeting informs us that the recommendation of Smithfield Monthly Meeting, having been approved by Meeting of Ministry and Counsel, to record Robert N. Cool as a minister of the Gospel is acceptable to them.

According to Faith + Practice this Minute in full should enter the book of record. Fifth Mo. 8th

"Smithfield Quarterly Meeting of Friends gathered in session at Worcester, Massachusetts 4th Month 22, 1961, upon the recommendation of Smithfield Monthly Meeting of Ministry and Counsel and approval of Smithfield Monthly Meeting and the Smithfield Quarterly Meeting of Ministry and Counsel, approves having Robert N. Cool recorded as a Minister of the Gospel after the manner of Friends."

Signed Clayton Brown, clerk.

c.c. N.E. Yearly Meeting
of Ministry + Counsel.

This information will be forwarded to the Yearly Meeting of Ministry and Counsel. The Clerk of this Meeting will send a letter to Robert N. Cool, welcoming him as a Friends minister.

A (letter) Minute from Woolman Hill on a Prison Reform Conference has been read. It suggests visiting prisons in city, county or state. It is suggested that

5-26-'61 possibly Robert N. Cool might be interested in doing this.

A letter from Harold Chance regarding proposed legislation on peace making use of income taxes has been read + referred to Peace and Social Concerns Committee.

We unanimously approve of asking Robert N. Cool to remain with us another year under the same arrangement, a month's vacation with pay, one week at Yearly Meeting time, the remainder in August. We approve of holding Meetings for Worship during August changing the time from 11 to 10 a.m. during July, August and Labor Day Sunday. The Meeting of Ministry and Counsel to arrange for supply.

Literature regarding Non-Violent Action is at hand a Newsletter from Friends Committee on National Legislation, an announcement of a Quaker Date book for 1962 at $11.40 a dozen or less quantity, $1 each. We also have invitations to Lincoln + Moses Brown Schools graduation. These will be placed on bulletin.

A poster regarding Avon Institute July 29 to Aug. 5 at Lake Winnepesaukee is at hand. The A.F.S.C. is giving a scholarship to each Monthly Meeting. It is possible that Shirley Worrall may attend

A Questionarre on Field Mailings is referred to Peace + Social Concerns Committee

The Caretakers have presented a price for glazing and painting kitchen ceiling (2 coats), stair walls, foyer + office ceiling + walls + walls in recreation room $282. We approve of having work done, Lloyd C. Arnold is appointed to talk with Caretaker ch. + painters as to the durability of work in recreation room. We should have some sort of guarantee.

The Caretakers are authorized to have aprons on side of Church put in condition, filling to be put in where needed + the drive in front of Meeting House sealed

5-26-'61 We approve of giving our organist two weeks vacation, with pay, choosing her own time.

In regard to Woonsocket U.N. Day as presented by Ann de Nevers at our last Monthly Meeting, plans are developing rapidly under (the) her leadership. A meeting of the Steering Committee will be held June 9th when fifteen representatives will be selected as guests of the U.N. in New York on June 16th. We feel that the idea has arisen from Ann's visit to the U.N. She has worked untiringly in a quiet efficient way.

7 members No further business appearing we conclude

Melita B. Fisher, clerk

6-30/61 At Smithfield Monthly Meeting of Friends held at Woonsocket, R.I. Sixth Month 30th, 1961.

The Minutes of last Meeting are read.

The report of the Treasurer shows a balance of $43.73 in General Treasury with all bills paid to date.

The Sunshine Committee reports a Get Well card sent to Grace McNamara, sermons and programs sent to Addie Paine, Lila Smith, Agnes Brindle & Francis Worrall. Robert Cool, Leona Ewen and Etta Pendleton called on Addie and Lila, Sunday, June 18.

Letters from Friends Council on Education is at hand telling of their work and inviting our assistance; Bulletin from Polaris Action gives the program for June 15, held in New London, Washington News letter from F.C.N.L. tells of progress of Bills before Congress. To keep informed our subscription should be renewed. These letters will be placed on Bulletin Board.

Young Friends Committee of North America

6-30-61 Paynesville Minn. is holding a Young Friends Conference Sept. 2-9. The Conference provides an opportunity for Young Friends in N.A. and Representatives from other countries to join together in spiritual fellowship. The theme - "Thy Will be done - the Spiritual Basis of our Christian Service. This notice will be found on Bulletin.

The Queries are read and considered. The following were named Representatives to attend Quarterly Meeting 7-15-61. It will probably be held here. - Bessie Ewen, Nellie M. Fisher, H. A. Pendleton, Lauriston Smith, Lloyd Arnold, Kenneth Strobel.

As the facilities at East Blackstone are inadequate for an all day Meeting, it is suggested that the Morning Meetings and lunch be held here with dessert and beverages being provided with Bessie Ewen in charge, at our Quarterly Meeting to be held June 15. If weather permits the afternoon meeting may be held at E. Blackstone.

Robert N. Cool wishes the Meeting to know that beginning in September he will be teaching at Moses Brown School. As his hours will be more regular than heretofore he hopes to attend our Monthly Meetings.

A farewell party in any form the Committee desires is suggested for Ralph Cook and family who are soon moving to Maine. With the approval of the Sunday School Superintendent, the teachers of the S. S. will comprise the Committee

No further business appearing, we adjourn purposing to meet at the call of the Clerk.

Melita B. Fisher, clerk.

9-29-'61 At Smithfield Monthly Meeting of Friends held at Woonsocket, R.I., Ninth Month 29, 1961.

No meetings were held in July or August

The Minutes of last Meeting which was June, are read

The Reports of Treasurer for three months show a balance on hand in General Treasury of $172.95

The Sunshine Committee reports Get Well cards in July and August sent to Joseph Estes and Robert Taber; Birthday card to Agnes Brindle; Sympathy cards to Marion Ross and Helen McCreadie. When available programs and radio sermons sent to Ann Aldrich, Addie Paine, Lila Smith, Francis Worrall, Agnes Brindle and family. A note to the Sunshine Committee was read from Lena Brindle thanking the Committee for remembering their mother's 96th birthday, also for cards and gifts received at other times.

Bulletins from F.C.N.L for July, August and September are available - also several on Polaris Action which are most interesting. These will be placed in the hands of the Peace and Social Committee.

A letter with a summary of the questionaire ~~report~~ has been read which was sent to 700 Mtgs.

A letter from the Quaker U.N. Program Urbana-Champaign suggests that each person tax themselves 1% of his gross income, giving the tax money as a gift to the U.N. on October 24. This will show our desire to share in the betterment of other peoples and areas. This is an individual matter.

A leaflet from the Philadelphia Daily News shows plans concerning work on Kenzua Dam Site which means so much to Seneca Indians. A public vigil was to be held August 12 to Labor Day protesting the breaking of the Treaty of 1794 which promised that the U.S. would never claim the land nor disturb the Seneca nation

9-29-'61 A catalogue for 1961-'62 from Sandy Springs Friends School, Maryland is at hand.

New York Yearly Meeting proposes a World College and is asking for contributions, the name of a Quaker leader who might serve on Advisory Council, along with comments, questions or suggestions for the proposed college.

A letter from the Clerk of Yearly Meeting, George I. Bliss, encloses a letter to Friends everywhere from our Yearly Meeting held at Brunswick, Me. in June. The Yearly Meeting Budget for 1961-'62 was also enclosed.

A communication from Friends Central Office gives Echoes from the Operating Council.

A letter from Rebecca Williams, Corresponding Clerk of Hanover Monthly Meeting of Friends, Hanover, N.H. encloses the receipt for the removal certificate of Mildred Morse from Smithfield Monthly Meeting, also the statement of acceptance of her into membership of Hanover Monthly Meeting, Second Month 14, 1960.

Stewardship material from Board on Stewardship and Finance of Five Years Meeting are here and more may be secured if desired. This material will be given to Stewardship Committee, later placed on table in hall.

We record with sorrow the death of Russel James Ross on August 1, 1961. He was a valued member of our Society, having served faithfully as Elder, Chairman of Invested Funds, Treasurer of Quarterly Meeting, a member of Woonsocket Finance Committee. Deep sympathy is extended to his wife and family. A copy of this Minute to be sent to family.

The Queries are read at this time and we appoint Lester Taber, Doris P. Mowry, Lauriston Smith, Ruth Smith, Marion Ross, Richard McNamara as our Representatives to attend a joint Quarterly Meeting of Rhode Island and Smithfield Religious Society of Friends at Woonsocket, R.I. Oct. 21.

The matter of choosing a Chairman to plan a [illegible]

9-24-'61 Lunch assisted by visiting group is left to the Clerk and Lloyd C. Arnold

From Friends General Conference a request for funds for a Meeting House Fund is read -

A re-print of a letter sent President Kennedy, published in New York Times, concerning nuclear weapons has been read and will be placed on bulletin board.

Bessie Ewen reports that an informal "Get Together" was held at the close of the Morning Meeting on Aug for the Ralph Cook family when a small gift was presented, simple refreshments served & good will greetings expressed for happiness in their new home in Camden, Me.

A letter was read from the Cook family thanking the Meeting for the gift and extending a cordial invitation to visit them in their new home which they are all enjoying.

Announcement of a High School Young Friends Seminars at the U.N. Oct 30 - Nov. 1 and Nov 20-22 are on bulletin.

Lloyd C. Arnold, chairman of Relief Committee suggests that each year the Finance Committee in its budget set aside $200 annually. This is approved by the Meeting

As the week of October [illegible] is to be UN week it was suggested that a Committee be appointed to prepare a program appropriate to the occasion. Lloyd C. Arnold is appointed chairman & [illegible] to include both Sunday School and [illegible] [illegible] Robert Cook and [illegible] are added to the Committee.

Lloyd C. Arnold reports [illegible] has recently [illegible] appropriation [illegible]

9-29-'61 motion of peace.

Robert Todd reported visiting Samuel Allen in the Woonsocket Hospital. Greetings from [illegible] were received through Lloyd Arnold.

[illegible] business of meeting we conclude.
Nellie M. Fisher, Clerk.

10-27-'61 At Smithfield Monthly Meeting of Friends held at Woonsocket, R.I. Tenth Month 27, 1961.

The Minutes of last Meeting are read

The Report of the Treasurer shows a balance of $255.23 in General Fund

The Sunshine Committee's report tells of Get Well cards sent to Samuel Allen, Robert Taber + Shirley Worrall. Programs and radio sermons sent to Agnes Brindle, Francis Worrall, Ann Aldrich, Mae Todd, Addie Paine, Lela Smith

The Representatives to Quarterly Meeting report that all but one were present

The Clerk and Clerk of Ministry and Counsel were unsuccessful in securing a chairman to make arrangements for Quarterly Meeting dinner so our Asst. Clerk, Bessie Ewen took charge assisted by Doris and Eleanor Mowry and Marion Ross.

Bessie Ewen reports that about sixty enjoyed the covered dish dinner, all present spoke of the quality and (quanti-) variety of food. R.I. 2. Mtg members did their share. The Committee is discharged with thanks.

The Nominating Committee is reminded to bring in the names of Officers and Committees for 1962, at our next Meeting.

At the present time the names of Nellie M. Fisher + Lloyd C. Arnold, members of Investment Committee are the only two authorized to enter vault to take care of Investments. Lester Taber, the other member of Com.

10-27-61 works out of town. Eleanor Mowry is added to the Committee. Nellie M. Fisher is named Chairman of Investment Committee in place of Russel Ross. The Clerk is to notify the bank of these changes, informing them that Eleanor Mowry is authorized to have access to the vault with either of the other two named.

Communications are at hand from A.F.S.C. stating the need for funds. We approve of sending ($20) twenty dollars, from Polaris Action, Friends World Committee, Central Committee for C.O's, Friends Gen. Conference, Committee for Non-Violent Action. Friends World Committee suggests a revised Directory of Mtgs at a cost of fifty cents. The letter from Friends Com on National Legislation issues a Newsletter for three dollars a year which every Meeting should have. We are authorized to subscribe for it.

An announcement of a Woolman Hill Conference on Public Education November 10-12 has been received. Reservations should be made now. Cost $11. Take towels. Bedding provided.

Friends Book & Supply House send a List of Books Quaker - new & old.

Ann De Nevers feels grateful to the Evening Card for generous publicity concerning U.N. Week. There has been cooperation and participation by many groups.

Lloyd C. Arnold announces that a tree will be planted during the Sunday School period, dedicated as part of U.N. activities.

The caretakers are advised to have furnace checked in consultation with Lloyd C. Arnold. A square tile of the upstairs hall floor also needs attention.

No further business appearing we conclude.

6 present

Melita B. Fisher, clerk.

At Smithfield Monthly Meeting of Friends held at
11-24-61 Woonsocket, R.I. Eleventh Month 24, 1961.

In the absence of the Asst. Clerk, Robert N. Cook was appointed to serve.

The Minutes of last Meeting were read.

The report of the Treasurer shows a balance of $11.31 in General Treasury with all bills paid to date.

The Sunshine Committee reports a Get Well card sent to Elsie Tabor, a birthday card to Etta Pendleton by a member of Sunshine Com. a baby card to Mr + Mrs [illegible] Caillouette. Sermons and programs sent to the usual six shut-ins.

The report of the Nominating Committee being incomplete will be presented at our next Monthly Meeting. At that time Annual Reports from Committees are to be given.

Civil Defense by Hon. Wm. Fitts Ryan taken from Congressional Record, F.C.N.L. Newsletter, Moses Brown Bulletin, information regarding 1962 appointment calendar $1.25 from [illegible] N.Y. are available on table or bulletin in hall.

A booklet "The Use of Force in International Affairs" prepared by Friends Peace Committee Phila. with a letter from Harold Chance suggests that it would make a valuable study for Young or Adult Friends.

A letter from National Conference of Friends on Race Relations having established a Continuation Committee would like an interested person from each meeting to carry on the work. A yearly subscription contribution of $5 is requested. Four times a year a newsletter will be issued. It is hoped that for $1 a year many will subscribe. This matter will be given to Peace + Social Concerns Committee for their consideration.

The Central Committee for C.O.'s has so many requests for help we are asked to contribute generously in sup-

11-24-1961 part of this cause. We approve of sending ten dollars ($10) from this Meeting; individual gifts are solicited through our U.N. Sunday programs.

A letter from Friendsville Academy Tenn. has been read. Due to state requirements, many changes have had to be made which has eliminated several students causing decreased revenue. They suggest that one Sun. each quarter the offering be sent to carry on this work. We prefer, at this time, to send twenty-five dollars ($25) hoping to do more later.

A letter from Friends Publishing Corporation solicits subscriptions for Friends Journal [illegible] [illegible] contributing annually from $5 to $10 [illegible] of this Meeting will make the Journal available [illegible] persons. Quaker Life will also be available.

After a Conference on Prison Reform at Pendle Hill in Fourth Month it was suggested that prisons should be visited at least once a month. Robert Cook [illegible] has talked with Ass't Warden at State Prison Cranston but had little co-operation.

Lloyd C. Arnold reports that a living testimony to the U.N. in form of a tree was planted in the church yard on Oct. 29. A suggestion is made that an account of U.N. week be sent to Quaker Life and Friends Journal. Robert N. Cook & Doris P. Moury are appointed to this mission. A poem by Lester Taber "The U.N. Tree" was part of program at planting of tree. Dr. Reed from N.Y. was present that day.

7 members present

No further business appearing, we conclude.

Melita B. Fisher, clerk

12-27-61 At Smithfield Monthly Meeting of Friends held at Woonsocket, R.I. Twelfth Month 27, 1961.

The Minutes of last Meeting were read.

The report of the Treasurer shows a balance of $315.85 in General Fund with all bills paid to date.

The Sunshine Committee reports a Get Well card sent Perlina Fisher, Birthday card to Lena Nelson, Sympathy cards to Kenneth + Grace Jones, Lena + Lettie Brindle. The Committee visited the shut-ins at Christmas time — Addie Pierce, Effie Smith, Frances Nuttall, Agnes Brindle, Mae Todd + Ann Aldrich, taking them gifts of purse-sized gold plated ballpoint pens, except Agnes Brindle who was given talcum powder. Programs and sermons sent each week. Poetry booklets were sent at Christmas time. Perlina Fisher is added to shut-ins. Mae Todd thanked the Committee for Christmas remembrance.

A letter from Five Years Meeting of Friends sends Christmas Greetings, informs us of books available, tells of work for Cuban Refugees. The Executive Council approved of informing Friends of a $5000 Emergency Cuban Relief Fund.

A $60000 Christmas Good Tidings appeal was sent out Dec 1st with offering envelopes for contributions to Mission work. Envelopes for our Meeting is used Dec 31.

A letter from John Mason Brown expressing concern for funds to help educate the Blind by Recordings has been received. $1 buys disc for 45 listening hours. $10 buys materials used in manufacturing 100 books.

A Friends Action Bulletin is at hand with very interesting Study Course on Education for Peace, also giving reasons why each of us must share the responsibility of bringing peace. Money is needed.

A list of books which may be purchased through the A.F.S.C. is here, also a thank you card for money sent, the need is still great.

12-29-'61 A letter from the National Association for advancement for colored people is received enclosing cards, hoping our church roll will be added with the many [illegible].

An announcement of a magazine called Liberation giving articles by famous people regarding the voyage of Golden Rule, Sahara Protest Team. Omaha Action - Polaris Action is read. Subscription $3 per year.

The Annual Report of the Sunshine Committee for 1961 - follows
Cards sent during year
Get Well 22 Sympathy 8 Birthday 4
Baby Congratulation 2 Valentines 6 Easter 6
Christmas 6 Total for year 54
Sermons and programs sent each week to shut-ins. Gifts a visit to shut ins at Christmas
Henrietta A. Pendleton, Ch.

Annual Report of Caretakers' Committee
During the year 1961 the following was completed
1. Installation of new lights in the Sunday School rooms
2. Exterior of church was painted
3. Roof repaired
4. Basement walls and ceiling painted, ceiling in kitchen scraped and painted
5. Foyer and office of church painted
The committee requests permission to seek bids on a new floor and linoleum in the hall downstairs and painting the main hall including the S. S. rooms.
Louise Corrigan, Chairman
The request is granted.

The chairman of Missionary Committee reports 1. sent to [illegible] for musical instruments for Ramallah, 2 Thanksgiving baskets, $100 for missions from Ladies Aid and $33.25 from individuals.

It was suggested that chairmen of committees

12-29-61 Constitute a Planning Board who will bring forward suggestions or plans for evening meetings; time of holding mtgs. to be determined by the Committee. The clerk will call (of) a meeting of chairmen for organization.

We record the death of our friend, Agnes Brindle on Dec. 21st, our oldest member, aged 96.

The Finance Committee submitted a Budget of $5,535.00 for 1962. With rent and anticipated income from Invested Funds totalling $500, $4535 is the amount to be raised. It is suggested and approved that $20 a month be sent to United Budget from the General Fund.

Lester and Louise Taber request permission for the use of the Meeting House on Saturday, February 17, 1962 at 4 p.m. for the wedding of their son Robert to Doris McCrum. This request is granted with pleasure.

Appreciation was expressed for the cooperation and work of Officers and Committees throughout the year.

No further business, we conclude.

3 present

Melita B. Fisher, Clerk

Report of Nominating Committee
Officers & Committees of Smithfield Monthly Meeting of Friends-
for the year 1962.
Clerk - Melita B. Fisher
Asst. Clerk - Bessie G. Ewen
Treasurer - Kenneth Strobel
Asst. Treas. - Lester B. Taber
Correspondent - Annie Revers
Elders - term expires 1962 Joseph B. Estes, Grace McNamara
Bessie G. Ewen, Leona Ewen.
Term expires 1963 - Ruth C. Smith, Nellie M. Fisher, H. A. Pendleton, Mae B. Todd
Term expires 1964 - Lloyd C. Arnold, Lester B. Taber, Lauriston Smith, Melita B. Fisher.
Investment Committee - Nellie M. Fisher, Lester Taber, Lloyd C. Arnold, Eleanor Mowry.

12-29-'61 Finance Committee - Melita M. Fisher, Lester R. Taber, Kenneth Strobel, Walter Symes, Wilma Smith.

Caretakers - Louise Corrigan, Louise Taber, Donald Ross, Lauriston Smith, Marion Ross

Relief and Sunshine Committee - Lloyd C. Arnold, H. A. Pendleton, Leona Ewen, Louise Corrigan.

Missionary Committee - Bessie F. Ewen, Mae B. Todd, H. A. Pendleton, Leona Ewen, Grace McNamara.

Christian Education and Stewardship Committee - Louise Taber, Eleanor Mowry, Marion Ross, Lester R. Taber, Lloyd C. Arnold ex officio, Eunice Strobel

Youth Group - Ann de Nevers, Bessie F. Ewen, Priscilla Follett, Cynthia Mowry

Cemeteries

(Mapleville) - Joseph C. Estes

Woonsocket - Doris P. Mowry, Battye Ewen, Carleton Aldrich

East Blackstone - Robert E. Mowry, Leslie Follett, Ernest Smith.

Ushers - Lauriston Smith, Donald Ross, Kerry Smith, Robert Taber, Lester R. Taber, Glenn Smith

Music Committee - Louise Taber, Lloyd C. Arnold, Eleanor Smith, Louise Corrigan, Melita B. Fisher, Carolyn Smith

Committee on Peace and Social Concerns - Lloyd C. Arnold, Ann de Nevers, Doris Mowry, Richard McNamara.

Flower Committee - Laura Follett, Wilma Smith, Dorothy Mowry, Marion Ross, Beatrice Mowry, Ruth Smith (Mrs Ernest)

Delegates to Woonsocket Council of Church Women

From Monthly Meeting - Bessie F. Ewen

Ladies Aid - Norma Brooks.

Nominating Committee for 1962 - Lester R. Taber, Laura Follett, Marion Ross, Kenneth Smith.

Submitted

For the 1961 Nominating Committee - Melita B. Fisher, Louise Taber, Ruth C. Smith, Bessie F. Ewen, Lloyd C. Arnold

1-26-62 At Smithfield Monthly Meeting of Friends held at Woonsocket, R.I. 1st Month 26, 1962.

The Minutes of last Meeting are read

The report of the Treasurer shows a balance in General Fund with all bills paid to date, of $565 (for Dec. '61)

Annual Report of Treasurer

Jan. 1, 1961 to December 31, 1961

Balance on hand in Gen Fund Dec. 31, 1960		$455.14
" " " rent from parsonage		150.00
" " " for relief committee		100.00
" " " " Peace + Social Concerns Com.		18.00
		$723.14
Receipts during 1961		
Collections	$2318.65	
From Invested Funds	709.40	
For United Budget	316.11	
From rent of parsonage	600.00	
" Ladies' Aid, heat + light	100.00	
" Gen Fund for painting meeting house	879.50	
Miscellaneous Income	11.00	$[illegible]
		$5657.20
Expenses during 1961		
Pastor's Salary	$1855.00	
Supply pastor's salary	80.00	
Janitor's salary	240.00	
Organist	245.00	
United Budget	299.56	
Ins. Mtg. House + parsonage	260.49	
Oil	314.07	
Electricity + water	77.88	
Painting contract	874.50	
Transferred to savings a/c	350.00	
For relief work	95.55	
For conferences	60.00	
" donations	68.00	
Collection envelopes	22.14	
Supplies for duplicator	49.05	
Repairs to S.S. rooms	38.31	
Miscellaneous expenses	1[illegible]3.60	$5053.20
		$[illegible]4.00

1-26-62

Balance on hand in General Fund Dec. 31, 1961	$565.00
" " " for United Budget	16.55
" " " " relief Committee	4.45
" " " " Peace & Social Concerns Com.	18.00
	$604.00

Respectfully submitted,
Nellie M. Fisher, Treas.

The Sunshine Committee reports, Get Well cards sent to Lloyd Arnold, Melita & Nellie Fisher, Leona Ewen and Etta Pendleton. Birthday card to Mary Dickie. Thank yous were received from Ann Aldrich, Lena Brindle and Addie Paine,

A letter from F.C.N. urges us to do two of 4 things - a) send telegram to Pres. Kennedy b) have 5 to 25 friends send wires c) send a copy of your telegram to Senators and Representatives d) work with others who may visit editors, mayors, civic leaders on Feb. 3 or 4. These wires are to express our approval of discontinuing atmospheric tests. We believe all testings should be abolished by all countries. Robert N. Cook is asked to send this message to our President Feb. 3 or 4

A letter from New York Committee for the Strike for Peace to be held from Mon. Jan. 29 to Feb. 4 is at hand with a Peace Action Calendar from New London, Conn. The Washington News Letter gives items for Congressional Action in 1962.

Announcement of Seminars for High School Young Friends - Mar 21-24, May 2-5 at Washington, D.C. are at hand - Round trip $18 besides transportation expenses.

A pamphlet from Friends Central Offices through the operating Council gives interesting items of the various departments of Five Years Meeting.

A letter from Robert J. Lyon of A.F.S.C. tells of the Cuban refugee problem, 1500 to 2000 a week are arriving in Miami, some of them Friends. New

Report of Investment Committee for 1961.

Total Value of Stocks	$ 9,626.67
Total Value of Bonds	5,229.00
	$14,855.67
Total Value of Bank A/cs	6,290.76
	$21,146.43
Less total principal & interest held in trust	14,246.90
Amount available to be used at the discretion of the meeting	$ 6,899.53

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Total funds held in trust	$13,140.42
Total interest held in trust	1,106.48
	$14,246.90
Interest added to bank a/cs during 1961	111.80
Interest received from Stocks & Bonds during 1961	709.40

Respectfully submitted,

Nellie M. Dasher

Eleanor Mowry

Lloyd C Arnold

England Friends are [illegible] y. This means finding a home, a job for head of family with warm and friendly services that any new family needs. We are asked, if able to underwrite the cost of bringing a family as far as Miami. Contributions are also needed. While we are unable to sponsor a family, we approve of sending $25, twenty-five dollars to help in this needy cause.

As suggested at our last Monthly Meeting, the Clerk called a meeting of chairmen of Committees on Jan. 18. The chairmen of Missionary Committee, Youth Group, Music Committee and Investment Committee attended and made these recommendations -

Beginning in February that a program of a Committee's activities or a timely subject be presented at Monthly Meeting. The chairmen of committees to be consulted as to time or month for their participation.

On evenings when no special program each chairman to contact members of their Committee reminding them of Monthly Meeting.

A suggestion was made that a program on cemeteries owned by Woonsocket Friends might be of interest.

If advisable, small Committees might combine for a program.

These recommendations presented to Monthly Meeting were accepted and Robert N. Cool consented to take charge.

A Committee Bill on Fair Housing in R.I. was mentioned but no one being familiar with the Bill, no action was taken.

A letter from the Clerk of the Meeting on Ministry and Council, having conferred with members of the Meeting, recommends that favorable consideration be given to the request of Frederick T. Carter for membership in the Religious Society of Friends, Smithfield Monthly Meeting. We are united in accepting the recommendation & Frederick is accepted as a member with the suggestion that our pastor and Clerk of Ministry and Council confer with him further as to what active membership means. Having been in a S. S. Class taught by Jane Cook where some time was spent on Quakerism, we feel that he has a good foundation.

1-26-62 As only one bid had been received on work to be done in interior of Meeting House, it was suggested that when more bids are received, if necessary a special meeting could be called. The caretakers would appreciate help in deciding the color of paint for walls. They are authorized to have floor in hallway repaired & purchase covering for same.

Meeting adjourned to meet at call of the Clerk.

Report of Investment Committee for 1961.

Total value of stocks	$9626.67
" " " bonds	5229.00
" " " Bank A/cs	6290.76
	$21,146.43
Less total principal and interest held in trust	14246.90
	$6899.53

Total funds held in trust	$13,140.42
" interest " "	1106.48
	$14,246.90

Interest added to bank a/cs in 1961	111.80
" rec'd from Stocks & Bonds "	709.40

Respectfully submitted,

Signed Nellie M. Fisher
Eleanor Mowry
Lloyd C. Arnold

Melita B. Fisher, Clerk

3-30-62

Statistics for *Smithfield* Monthly Meeting for 19*61*

PLEASE READ BEFORE FILLING OUT

When Monthly Meetings consist of more than one Particular Meeting, each particular meeting should fill out a blank for the Monthly Meeting. Each Monthly Meeting should make up its report from the Particular Meeting reports, where more than one Particular Meeting is involved; otherwise use only the "Monthly Meeting" blank for making up its report to the Quarterly Meeting. The "Quarterly Meeting" blank is to be used in making a summary of the several Monthly Meeting reports. All Monthly Meeting and Quarterly Meeting reports SHOULD BE RECORDED IN FULL DETAIL.

1. Number of Members last year, DEC 3 1 1960	72
2. Additions due to Omissions in last year's Report, DEC 3 1 1960	
3. Additions by Birth,	
4. Additions by Request,	
5. Additions by Certificate from another Friends Meeting,	
6. Additions by Letter from another Denomination,	
7. Total Additions, DEC 3 1 1960	
8. Loss due to Removal of persons included by Error in last year's Report,	2
9. Loss by Death,	
10. Loss by Disownment,	
11. Loss by Resignation,	
12. Loss by Discontinuance,	
13. Loss by Certificate to Another Friends Meeting,	
14. Loss by Letter to another Denomination,	
15. Total Loss,	2
16. Number of Members this year, DEC 3 1 1961	70
17. Net Gain,	
18. Net Loss,	2
19. Number of Males,	35
20. Number of Females,	35
21. Number under 21 years of age,	10
22. Number of Associate Members,	7
23. Number of Associate Members Transferred to Active Membership,	0
24. Number of Resident Members,	[illegible]
25. Number of Non-Resident Members,	25
26. NUMBER OF ADULT RESIDENT MEMBERS,	35
27. AVERAGE ATTENDANCE AT SUNDAY WORSHIP (ESTIMATE),	

PROVE ALL FIGURES AND TOTALS AS SUGGESTED BELOW.

NOTICE.—To be sure that no mistakes occur in this report, observe the following.

1. See that No. 1 is correct as it was reported last year. If a mistake in last year's figures has been discovered since then, call it "Additions due to Omissions in last year's Report," (see No. 2) or "Loss due to Removal of persons included by Error in last year's Report," (see No. 8), as the case may be, and add or subtract as may be required to make No. 16 on this report exactly correct, then write a brief note of explanation on the report.

2. The addition of Nos. 2, 3, 4, 5, and 6 will give No. 7; and of 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13 and 14 will give No. 15.

3. If No. 7 be larger than No. 15, subtract No. 15 from No. 7 to obtain No. 17; but if No. 15 be larger subtract No. 7 from No. 15 to obtain No. 18. Of course only one of the numbers 17 and 18 will have figures. If there be a "net gain," add No. 17 to No. 1 to obtain No. 16. If there be a "net loss," subtract No. 18 from No. 1 to obtain No. 16.

4. See that No. 16 is the same as the sum of 19 and 20, and of 24 and 25.

5. Keep your records corrected up to date, and these may be obtained from them easily. Good records make easy reports.

6. Keep on hand a copy of this report for future reference.

3-30-'62

[illegible] ry, due to inclement weather.

The Minutes of January Meeting are read

The Report of the Treasurer for January shows a balance of $572.18 in General Fund - For February $440.14

The Sunshine Committee reports Get Well cards sent to Lloyd Arnold and Nellie Fisher, Sympathy to Crystal Bates, Sybil Dowling, Gertrude Arnold, Wedding Congratulations to Robert and Doris Tabet, Valentines, programs + sermons to six shut-ins during February. In March Get Well cards to Eleanor Smith, Kevin Smith, Mrs. Fred Randall, Birthday card to Lila Smith. The usual programs + sermons to the Shut-ins

Bessie Ewen with the clerk ~~were~~ was appointed to prepare the Statistical Report to be forwarded to Quarterly Meeting.

The caretakers would like to have permission to make some disposition of the couch and hat rack in the basement of Church. It is thought an antique dealer might purchase them. Lloyd O. Arnold is willing to contact Mr. Wilcox who renovates old furniture.

The Garden Club of No. Smithfield requests the use of Church basement on Mondays beginning May 7, continuing four or five weeks. The meetings are from 10 a.m. until 2 p.m. We approve of granting this request.

The Queries have been read and considered. We appoint as our Representatives to attend Quarterly Meeting in Worcester April 14 - Kenneth Strobel, Fred Carter, Carolyn + Eleanor Smith + Kevin Smith.

A letter from Edward Snyder, Executive Secretary of F.N.C.L. has been read. We are asked to join again in the annual appeal for contributions. We approve of sending five dollars ($5).

3-30-'62 A friendly letter from Beacon Hill House has been read, also an announcement of a Leadership Training Workshop to be held there Apr. 20-21, 27-28 and May 11-12 in the form of Quaker Dialogue led by Rachel Davis Dubois. Following the Workshop on April 20, a separate letter from Penelope Turton, Convenor of N.E. Witness for Peace urges us to appoint an Overseer and an alternate to attend a Witness for Peace Demonstration on Good Friday, April 20 in front of the Mary Dyer statue on Beacon St., Boston. Shirley Worrall is suggested as a possible Overseer.

A letter from Herbert Huffman of A.F.S.C. tells of the acute distress and suffering of Algerian refugees informing us of the urgent need for funds. We approve of an announcement from pulpit asking for voluntary contributions to be added to the $5 appropriated.

Announcement of a Quaker Conference for Social Workers at Woolman Hill April 13-15 is at hand. Cost $11.

A copy of a letter written by seven patients at the Hiroshima A Bomb Hospital to be distributed in Siberia was rejected by the Russians. The letters will be carried again to Soviet Ambassador at U.N. by the Pilgrims of the Hiroshima Peace Pilgrimage. Money is needed for travel, postage and incidentals.

Announcements of Young Friends Conference Aug. 5-10 are at hand.

Tentative Agenda of Executive Council of Five Years Meeting on April 6 + 7 at Richmond, Indiana is here.

We record the wedding of Robert L. Taber and Doris Cram held here on February 17. Ceremony performed by Robert N. Cool.

Robert N. Cool has an opportunity to go abroad this summer + would appreciate being released for July

3-30-'62 and August. We approve of granting the request, giving compensation for one month. The matter of supply during this time is referred to the Meeting of Ministry and Council.

Louise Taber, representing the Caretakers Committee gave two bids for paintings & re-decorating the auditorium of the Church - the Atlas Painting Co. $530.50 - Morin Co. $627.30 The prices quoted did not include the Sunday School rooms. The additional cost would be approximately $200. The Meeting approves of the additional cost, leaving the matter in the hands of Caretakers.

Kenneth Strobel contributed interesting information, telling us of an article of Quakerism in the Providence Visitor, a Catholic paper.

No farther business appearing we conclude.

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Melita B. Fisher, clerk.

4-27-'62 At Smithfield Monthly Meeting of Friends held at Woonsocket, R.I. Fourth Month 27, 1962

The Minutes of last meeting are read.

The Report of Treasurer shows a balance of $352.18 in General Fund.

The Sunshine Committee reports Get Well cards sent to Richard McNamara, Mrs Fred Randall. Birthday card to Mae Todd. Easter cards sent to the six shut-ins also programs and sermons which are usually sent weekly.

A communication from American Cancer Society designates April 29 as Cancer Sunday in Connection with Cancer Control Month by act of Congress, President of U.S. and Governor of R.I. We are asked to cooperate with the printed prayer enclosed.

A letter has been read from the Secretary of Five Years Stewardship & Finance Committee encouraging us to buy books to help the program of Five Years Meeting

4-27-62 A letter from Clarence Pickett working with the International House of Philadelphia asks Friends Meetings to help foreign students to get employment during summer months. Room and board would have to be provided. A card is enclosed for us to fill out if we are able to help in this project. A few samples of requests for assistance read.

A program from Brown University Student Peace Union is at hand for a Colloquium to be held May 4-5 1 for students, 2 for faculty [illegible]. Subject - The Nuclear Age: May Man Prevail?

A letter from Friends General Conference informs us of the opportunity of sponsoring a guest from overseas. Details as to requirements and cost are given. The letter tells of damage by the last storm. A preliminary announcement of a T.V. film "Gentle Persuaders" announcer Drew Pearson has been received. Later announcements will be given.

A communication from Friends Witness for World Order concerning a meeting April 28 - May 1 in Washington, D.C. is received. In 1960 Friends contributed $145,000 to U.N. for technical assistance to Africa's self-help housing. Contributions may be sent to Friends Witness for World Order if unable to attend Meeting.
Along the same line from the Fellowship of Reconciliation Nyack N.Y. we are asked to contribute to Shelters for the Shelterless instead of building Fall Out Shelters for ourselves. A minute from Ridgewood Monthly endorsing the program initiated by F. of R. has been read. Doris Mowry read an article pertaining to the same. Literature is available at little cost.

Polaris Action Bulletin gives an interesting and inspiring report on experiences of the [illegible] Walk for Peace.

Lloyd Arnold reports that he talked with Mrs. Wilson about the antique couch but her husband does not do that sort of thing, namely make over furniture. Robert Cook reports that the Salvation Army

4-27/62 will take it Saturday a. m. if we so desire.

Announcement is made of a Dialogue directed by Rachel Dubois to be held at Providence Friends Meeting House on April 29 at 4 + 7 p.m.

Robert Cool has received a letter from A Peace Pilgrim in Cologne, N. J. with a Peace Pilgrim's Message. She (?) asks if we would be interested in such a speaker. This tour of N. E. will be in July and Aug. If we are interested, she is to be contacted by the end of this month

The Monthly Meeting business being completed, the Meeting is turned over to Peace + Social Concerns Committee.

Melita B Fisher, clerk.

4 present

The Peace + Social Concern Committee consisting of Lloyd Arnold, Ann Le Noven and Doris Mowry gave interesting, thought-provoking facts about the use of Fall Out Shelters, the discrimination shown Negroes, the persistence of our government in continuing nuclear tests. Woonsocket, at present is having a Negro problem. This committee is continued to consider ways of showing our friendliness to these neighbors.
On May 20, a memorial service for Rev. Hinson, a former pastor of St. James will be held at that Church. It is hoped several of our members may attend.

At Smithfield Monthly Meeting of Friends held at
5-25-62 Woonsocket, R. I. Fifth Month 25, 1962.
The Minutes of last Meeting are read.
The report of the Treasurer shows a balance on hand in General Fund of $181.88

The Sunshine Committee reports a Sympathy Card sent to Adeline Randall, a Get Well card to Grace Mc Namara. Programs and sermons sent to shut-ins every week, unless they are able to attend Church.

We have had requests from Lea and James [illegible], members of this mtg for help from Yearly Meeting Equalization Fund

5-25-'62 We are united in approving their request. The Clerk is directed to issue cards to them. If other Young Friends or Juniors are able to attend part time and need help from the Equalization Fund, the Clerk is authorized to issue cards to them.

A letter from Robert E. Owen, chairman of Yearly Meeting Finance Committee, reminds us that only about 65% of Yearly Meeting Budget due Fifth Month 31st has been met. We are urged to give until it hurts. It is suggested that an announcement of the urgent need of United Budget being met be made in the morning meeting. and that our treasurer add #10 to the amount sent in Fifth Month 31st.

Posters of Avon Institute, Cape May Conference, bulletins from Moses Brown, A.F.S.C., F.C.N.L. are at hand & will be placed on table or bulletin in hall

A delayed letter from Lincoln School League asks for a contribution for their Development Program. A letter from Central Committee for C.O's, one giving an offer of the magazine "Liberation", one from American Association for U.N. All seek contributions. We feel that these are worthy objects but we are unable to contribute at this time.

The Committee appointed from Ladies Aid to get prices on a new pulpit would like the approval of Monthly Meeting before action is taken. This approval is given.

Robert N. Cool has received a letter from the A.F.S.C. stating that Norman Whitney, a retired professor of English, now with A.F.S.C. would be glad to visit us for a peace talk on June 5. We approve of having the meeting here with Robert N. Cool handling publicity.

We approve of granting Robert N. Cool a Traveling Minute to visit Friends Meetings in England & possibly

5-25-62 Meetings in other countries of Europe. He hopes to visit the grave of Job Scott in Ireland, one of the mystic Quakers who was born in No. Providence, R.I.

We are happy to learn that Robert N. Cool will be able to carry on his ministry with us beginning another year in September.

Robert N. Cool reported that he with one or two of our Meeting attended the Memorial Service for Rev. Mr. Hinson, a former pastor of St. James Baptist Church in Woonsocket. Afterwards R. Cool visited the Mendon Cemetery. He wonders if it might be possible to sometime build a combination Meeting + dwelling house on this property.

No further business appearing we adjourn.

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Melita B. Fisher, clerk.

6-29-62 At Smithfield Monthly Meeting of Friends held at Woonsocket, R.I. Sixth Month 29, 1962.

The Minutes of last meeting are read

The report of Treasurer shows a balance of $391.38 in General Fund

The Sunshine Committee reports a Get Well Card sent to Grace McNamara. Programs and sermons sent to shut-ins.

At the last Historical Meeting held June 25, the matter of clearing the old cemetery was again brought up. If the area could be cleared of ivy the Historical Society is ready to pay a worker or workers to clear it. The matter is referred to our Cemetery Committee in conference with James Burns, Pres. of Historical Society.

Since our last Meeting, Norman Whitney and David Rhoads visited us showing slides of A.F.S.C. work + making several suggestions that small groups can do in the interest of Peace. He (N. Whitney) participated in the Coffee An-program the following morning with few, if any, agree with his view-point

6-29-62 The volunteer committee on Mendon Cemetery from Meeting of Ministry and Counsel, met at the home of Louisa Snow with three members of Swan Dale Cemetery Association present. If a deed (original) of Cemetery can be secured for them, they seem willing to accept a quit claim deed. They have no fund & would hope from contributions a fund might be established to take care of plot.

Since that meeting I have written Worcester County Court and have been notified that a copy of the deed may be secured for $1.20. This amount has been forwarded. The question of legality enters the problem. It is suggested that Winslow Osborne, clerk of the Permanent Board, also a lawyer might be consulted on this. If agreement can be reached & legal points settled, we approve of granting a quit claim deed to with the understanding it will never be used for anything but burial purposes.

Swan Dale Cemetery Assoc in Mendon Mass

Carolyn Smith, a member of this Meeting requests the use of the Meeting House on August 4 for her marriage to Eugene Le Roy. We are united in granting this request.

On Monday, July 30 from 10 p.m. to 11 p.m. a Special Program about Quakers entitled "The Gentle Persuaders" will be broadcast with Drew Pearson as narrator on NBC network. The Committee suggests that a small ad on T.V. page of our newspaper be inserted after the telecast, stating where information about Friends may be obtained. While the Society of Friends has no responsibility for this program, information may be obtained from Friends General Conference, 1515 Cherry St. Philadelphia 2, Pa.

Pamphlets which were ordered giving a picture of the total A.F.S.C. work are available for those interested. A letter accompanying them has been read.

6-29-'62 A check for ($25) twenty-five dollars - 25% of a legacy left this meeting by Sara M. Burke in memory of her grandfather George S. Southwick has been received. The letter accompanying it will be placed on file.

Five pamphlets entitled "Survival at the Grassroots" by Adam H. Lohans of White Plains, New York have been received. Single copy 20cts. or 6 for $1.00

Letters from Committee for Non-Violent Action, Polaris Action, Washington Newsletter for June, paper from Central Committee for C.O's, Friends Witness for World Order, F.C.N.L. with a pamphlet "Steps toward Disarmament," a letter from Friends Council on Education are at hand for those interested. A letter from A.F.S.C. on Algerian refugees. Colin Bell's letter tells of refugees over the Moroccan + Tunisian borders where France has withdrawn help, the situation is grave. Soap, yarn, old nylon stockings, books of stamps to buy blankets are solicited. It is suggested that this letter be read in Meeting for Worship. We approve of sending ($25) twenty-five dollars for these stricken people.

The Queries are read and we appoint Eunice Strobel, Lloyd C. Arnold, Bessie Even and others who may attend as our Representatives to attend Quarterly Meeting to be held in the Bolton Meeting House in Sturbridge, Mass July 21.

The Clerk of Ministry and Counsel reports that Emil Paul John will have charge of Meetings for Worship for the month of July. Phillip Arnold on August 5th, an unprogrammed meeting the 12th, other speakers to be announced. $20 is allowed for pastor supply.

The next Business Meeting will be at the call of the Clerk if the need arises.

No further business we conclude.

Melita B. Fisher, clerk.

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9-28-'62 At Smithfield Monthly Meeting of Friends held at Woonsocket, R.I., 9th month 28, 1962.

The Minutes of last Meeting are read.

The report of the Treasurer shows a balance of $460.15 in General Fund with all current bills paid

The report of Sunshine Committee was delayed but is as follows: for August + September
Card of congratulation - Carolyn + Ernest Le Roy
Get Well cards to Leona Ewen + Frank Worrall
Sympathy card to the family of Crystal M.S. Bates
Programs and sermons sent to Addie Paine, Lila Smith, Mae Todd, Ann Aldrich, Berlina Fisher and Frank Worrall.

A request for the use of the Church for a meeting of the Garden Club on Nov. 10, '62 + Jan 12, '63 is granted.

The Council of Church Women ask to hold a meeting here November 2. We approve of this being done.

A letter from Helen Bliss urging one or more to attend a Regional Conference on Human Relations at Powell House, Old Chatham, N.Y. Oct. 19-21 has been read. Subject: The Human Community Details as to expense and agenda are at hand. As this is the date of our Quarterly Meeting, instead of appointing a Representative, efforts will be made to find one who may be able to attend.

In July a copy of the epistle sent from N.E. Yrly. Meeting was received which will be placed on bulletin board. Recommendations of the Finance Committee - a total of $24,685 accompanied the Epistle. $10 per member is the goal aimed for. Final payment before 5-15-63

9-28-62 The Continuing Committee of Yearly Meeting on Minister and Counsel suggests a Quaker Dialogue be scheduled some time this fall, held in three sessions of two hours each. Leaders have trained for this work. If desired dates may be arranged with Ernest Reed. Letter has been read and considered. We feel that our people are not prepared for action at this time.

Oct. 19-21 a Quaker Conference for Social Workers will be held at Woolman Hill. Oct. 5-6 a Workshop there for Poets and Writers.

Washington Newsletter, News Notes of Central Committee for C.O's, a letter from Committee for Non-Violent Action are at hand and will be placed on hall table.

A letter from Harold Chance, Director of Friends Peace Service, retiring Sept. 30 after nineteen years of service is read. A letter from Colin Bell, Executive Secretary extols the work of Harold Chance.

A letter from Baltimore Yearly Meeting of Friends calls our attention to the effort now being made to end the draft in 1963. This matter is referred to the Peace and Social Concerns Committee.

The Queries have been read and we appoint Robert N. Cool, Kenneth Strobel, Ruth Smith, Ann de Nevers and others who may attend as our Representatives to Quarterly Meeting to be held here October 20, 1962.

Bessie Ewen has consented to be Supper Chairman for Quarterly Meeting with power to choose her committee.

We approve of reimbursing the Clerk for a copy of deed for Swan Dale Cemetery Association in Mendon, Mass. which cost ($1.20) one dollar twenty cents.

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No further business appearing we conclude.

Melita B. Fisher, clerk.

10-1-62 At a special meeting called by the Clerk, October 1, authority was given for one or more trustees to be named by the Clerk to sign a quit claim deed of the Friends Cemetery in Mendon, Mass. owned by Smithfield Mo. Mtg. to the Swan Lake Cemetery Association of Mendon. Mass. Nellie N. Fisher and Lester Taber, trustees of our Permanent Fund were named and have signed, witnessed & signed by Eleanor Mowry, a notary public

10-1-62
10-26-1962 The Clerk was authorized to prepare a Minute recording the death of Crystal M. S. Bates in Ninth Month. A copy of the Minute to be sent the family

Crystal M. S. Bates a member of this Meeting for many years passed away peacefully Ninth Month 23 at her home. She had been in failing health for some time. In previous years she had served as Supt. of Bible School and on various Committees. Although unable to attend regular Worship services was ever loyal to the Meeting.

At Smithfield Monthly Meeting of Friends held at Woonsocket, R.I. Tenth Month 26, 1962

The Minutes of last meeting are read

The report of Treasurer shows a balance in General Fund of $346.95 with all current bills paid

The Smith family has requested the use of the Church for a family dinner at Thanksgiving time. This is unanimously approved.

In the absence of Marilyn [illegible], organist Shirley Horsall has kindly filled in which the Meeting appreciates

The Executive Council of Five Years Meeting meets at Richmond, Ind Oct 31 - Nov 3 A program of activities is at hand

A folder illustrating Christmas cards from the Fellowship of Reconciliation will be placed on table in hall

10-26-'62 A list of books from Mosher Book & Tract Committee has been received offering us a gift of three books of our choice.

The Nominating Committee is reminded that names of Officers & Committees for 1963 should be presented at our next Meeting.

Our business being accomplished we conclude.
Melita B. Fisher, clerk.

1-30-'62 At Smithfield Monthly Meeting of Friends held at Woonsocket, R.I. Eleventh Month 30, 1962.

The Minutes of last Meeting are read.

The report of Treasurer shows a balance of $439.13 in General Fund.

The Sunshine Committee reports a Get Well card sent to Mrs. Henderson in October and to Edna Trask and Melita Fish in November.

A letter of appreciation from the Smith family for use of the Church on Thanksgiving Day has been read. There was an enclosure of eight dollars ($8). It is suggested that this be given to United Budget which is approved.

The Clerk informs the Meeting that a quit claim deed of the Quaker Cemetery in Mendon, Mass. has been given to the Swan Dale Cemetery Association of that town in Oct.

The annual appeal from F.C.N.L. has been read. We approve of sending ten dollars ($10) from Monthly Meeting five ($5) of it from Peace & Social Concerns Committee.

A letter from Central Committee for C.O.s asks our support. We approve of sending ($5) five dollars from the Monthly Meeting and ($5) five from the Peace and Social Concerns Committee.

A letter from Douglas Steere, Chairman of Pendle Hill, Wallingford, Pa. would appreciate a donation to carry on their work. No action taken.

11-30-62 A letter from Robert E. Ewen, chairman of Yrly Meeting Finance Committee reports the amount of money paid to United Budget up to Nov. 5. He also informs us that the Finance Committee decided to include in the budget proposal for 1963-64 salary for a Youth Secretary. In March it is expected that David Stanfield of Five Years Board on Stewardship and Finance will have Stewardship Workshops. If we desire this service we are to contact Ernest H. Weed, Beacon Hill. We approve of having the letter from Robert E. Owen in Morning Meeting. We are interested in the Workshops but feel that a more central place for convening would be desirable, hoping that some of our members may be able to participate.

An interesting letter is read from Ernest H. Weed, Beacon Hill Friends House announcing the fifth anniversary on Dec 9 at which time a Meeting for Worship at 10:30 will be held with a box lunch at noon. All are welcome.

A letter from Norman E. Young, Secretary of Mission Board writes of the need of a new hospital at Kaimosi. It is suggested and approved that this matter be presented to the Ladies Aid for their consideration.

A price list of books from Friends Book & Supply House, and a catalogue or brochure of Lincoln School are on the bulletin board.

The report of the Nominating Committee for 1963 is as follows:

Clerk - Melita B. Fisher
Assistant Clerk - Bessie T. Ewen
Treasurer - Kenneth M. Strobel
Asst Treas. - Lester R. Taber
Correspondent - Ann de Nevers

Elders

1963. Ruth Smith (Mrs. L) Mae B. Todd, Etta Pendleton, Millie M. Fisher
1964. Melita B. Fisher, Lloyd C. Arnold, Lauriston Smith, Lester Taber.
1965. Grace McNamara, Leona Ewen, Laura Smith, Louise Taber.

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These officers and committees were named but were not acted upon until the December Mtg. found on page 39.

Committees.

Investment - Nellie M. Fisher, Lloyd C. Arnold, Eleanor Mowry. Lester Taber.

Finance - Nellie M. Fisher, Kenneth M. Strobel, Wilma Smith. Walter Symes, Robert E. Mowry.

Caretakers - Louise Taber, Louise Corrigan, Marion Ross, Lauriston Smith, Donald Ross.

Relief and Sunshine - Lloyd C. Arnold, Etta Pendleton, Leona Ewen, Louise Corrigan.

Missionary - Bessie E. Ewen, Mae B. Todd, Etta Pendleton, Leona Ewen, Grace McNamara.

Christian Education and Stewardship - Robert N. Cool, Eunice Strobel, Eleanor Mowry, Doris Mowry, Marjory Doyle, Lloyd C. Arnold, --- ex officio

Youth Group - Ann De Nevers, Ruth Smith, Priscilla Follett. Cynthia Mowry.

Cemeteries

Mapleville - Joseph C. Estes

Woonsocket - Doris Mowry, Bettye Ewen, Carleton Aldrich.

East Blackstone - Robert Mowry, Leslie Follett, Ernest Smith.

Ushers

Head Usher - Lauriston Smith - Assistant - Donald Ross (others) Kenneth M. Strobel, Fred Carter, Kerry Smith, Lester Taber.

Music

Lloyd C. Arnold, Melita B. Fisher, Eleanor Smith, Louise Corrigan.

Peace + Social Concern Committee - Ann de Nevers, Lloyd C. Arnold, Richard McNamara, Doris Mowry.

Flower Committee - Dorothy Mowry and Laura Follett (co-chairmen) Wilma Smith, Nellie M. Fisher, (Ruth Smith (Mrs. [illegible]) Marion Ross

Delegate to Woonsocket Council of Church Women - Bessie Ewen.

Signed by 1962 Nom. Com.
Lester R. Taber, Chairman
Laura Smith
Marion Ross
Kenneth Smith (unable to attend)

A suggestion that Carleton Aldrich be named Chair-

11-30-'62 Committee Chairmen are reminded that Annual Reports are due at our next Meeting.

An suggestion that a monthly bulletin be issued in place of weekly programs has been brought before us. It would mean less work for our pastor. These bulletins to be sent to members and attenders.

The Clerk is requested to send a letter of appreciation to Etta Pendleton for our Hymn Books which she so generously gave the Meeting in memory of her husband, Arthur C. Pendleton.

No further business we conclude.

8 present. Melita B. Fisher, clerk.

12-28-'62 At Smithfield Monthly Meeting of Friends held at Woonsocket, R.I. Twelfth Month 28, 1962.

The Minutes of last Meeting are read

The report of the Treasurer shows a balance of $523.79 in General Fund

The Sunshine Committee reports Get Well cards sent to Muriel McFee in hospital and to Edna Trask who is ill. 6 Trotty Veck booklets, 5 artificial plants sent to Shut-ins for Christmas - Addie Paine, Lila Smith, Ann Aldrich, Mae Todd, Perlina Fisher. Edna Trask has been added to the Shut-ins. Robert Cool took the plants to Addie Paine and Lila Smith.

Etta Pendleton having served efficiently for eleven years on Sunshine & Relief Committee wishes to be released as Chairman & Louise Corrigan, a member of that Committee is suggested as Chairman with which we approve. Lloyd Arnold is to serve on Relief Committee.

Etta has also paid for telephone in Church but feels that she can no longer do this. It is suggested that the Ladies' Aid be asked to assume this obligation & if possible have the 'phone changed to Friends Meeting House.

The Clerk is requested to send a letter of appreciation for faithful service in sending sympathy and Get Well

12-28-'62 cards, remembering birthdays of those eighty or over, never forgetting shut-ins at Christmas and other special days, not eve omitting weekly programs and sermons. Since 195

9 present We also owe a debt of gratitude for financing the Church telephone ever since its installation. It has been a great convenience to the pastor and others.

A letter from N.E.C.N.V.A. gives a report of work that has been done and outlines more to be continued. This matter is referred to Peace & Social Concerns Committee.

From Jan. 6-12 is Universal Week of Prayer, announced by Chairman of Extension C. & Board on Evangelism of 5 Years Meeting, enclosing a leaflet suggesting basic materials for this period.

"Quaker Life," our Church paper, suggests "An Every Home Plan" which means that the Meeting subscribes for members or interested attenders at one dollar if names are sent in on or before January 1. We approve of subscribing for five copies to be sent to homes of S.S. pupils after consultation with the pastor and Sunday School Superintendent and Clerk.

Two books are called to our attention "Quakerism, a Spiritual Movement by Rufus M. Jones in six essays for $2.00 "A Faith to Live by" - Elfrida Vipont for $1.75

Annual Reports.

The Peace and Social Concern Committee during the past year has not been active as such. However contributions have been made to the Committee on National Legislation, Conscious Objectors Committee which we feel are worthy contributions. It is hoped that the coming year will find a great deal more activity from this Committee.

Signed Lloyd C. Arnold, Chairman.

Report of Supt. of Friends Bible School

For the information of the Monthly Meeting I feel that the Bible School should go on record as to its activities. This past year has been a good year in

12-28-'62 the Sunday School. Enrollment is now 33 with an average attendance of about 22. The School has continued to carry along worthy projects. The Buffalo Nickel hunt contributed $10.30 for relief in Indian affairs, the Mitten tree contributed some 65 pair of mittens to A.F.S.C. for relief work. (55 pr. knit by Mrs. Dickey) A splendid teaching staff has been maintained during the year and the curriculum has carried along the Friends way of thinking as nearly as possible.

Signed - Lloyd C Arnold, Supt. S. S.

Annual Report for Sunshine Committee.

No. of Get Well cards 20
" " " Birthday " 4
Valentines to Shut-ins 6, Sympathy cards 5
Wedding Congratulation 2, Easter Cards to Shut-ins 6
Trotty Vecks at Christmas 6 - Total number cards 49
5 Artificial Plants at Christmas Time to Shut-ins.

Signed - Henrietta A. Pendleton, Ch.

Missionary Committee's report

While our Meeting has no Missionary Society, we have two members at large. Money was contributed by inviduals, the Ladies Aid sent $15 for Algerian relief and $20 for the hospital in Africa.

Report by Bessie Ewen, Ch.

Caretaker's Report sent in by Louise Corrigan, Ch.

During the year the interior of the Auditorium, the Sunday School rooms and hall in stairway were re-decorated, a new floor laid in hall down stairs, soon to be covered with linoleum, except an uneven area which will be painted & covered with a rubber runner the window drapes were cleaned and a light put into the new pulpit given by Ladies Aid. Louise thanks the Committee for their co-operation.

Nominating Committee

The Report of the Nominating Committee is accepted after changes suggested were corrected.

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Report of Investment Committee for 1962.

Total Value of Stocks	$9,314.62
Total Value of Bonds	5,424.00
	$14,738.62
Total Value of Bank A/cs	6,804.22
	$21,542.84
Less total principal & interest held in trust	14,362.86
Amt. available to be used at the discretion of the meeting.	$7,179.98

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Total funds held in trust	$13,140.42
Total interest held in trust	1,222.44
	$14,362.86
Interest added to bank a/cs during 1962	115.96
Interest received from stocks and Bonds during 1962	716.14

Respectfully submitted,

Nellie McDiskel

Lester Taber

Lloyd Arnold

Eleanor Mowry

12-28-'62 Doris Mowry resigned from Christian Education and Stewardship Committee + it was thought unnecessary to name a replacement as Committee was large enough.

Her resignation from Peace and Social Concern Committee is referred to Ann de Nevers, Chairman to select if she so desires, a replacement.

The Report follows:

Clerk - Melita B. Fisher
Asst Clerk - Bessie F. Ewen
Treasurer - Kenneth M. Strobel
Asst " Lester R. Taber
Correspondent - Ann de Nevers.

Committees

Investment - Nellie M. Fisher, Lloyd C. Arnold, Eleanor Mowry, Lester R. Taber.

Finance - Nellie M. Fisher, Kenneth M. Strobel, Wilma Smith, Walter Symes, Robert Mowry.

Caretakers - Louise Taber, Louise Corrigan, Marion Ross, Lauriston Smith, Donald Ross

Relief Committee - Lloyd C. Arnold

Sunshine " - Louise Corrigan, Etta Pendleton, Leona Ewen.

Missionary - Bessie F. Ewen, Mae B. Todd, Etta Pendleton, Leona Ewen, Grace McNamara

Christian Education + Stewardship - Robert N. Cool, Eunice Strobel, Eleanor Mowry, Marjory Doyle, Lloyd C. Arnold - ex-officio.

Youth Group - Ann de Nevers, Ruth Smith, Priscilla Follett, Cynthia Mowry.

Cemeteries Mapleville - Joseph C. Estes
Woonsocket - Carleton J. Aldrich, Doris Mowry, Battye Ewen.

East Blackstone - Robert Mowry, Leslie Follett, Ernest Smith.

Ushers

Head Usher - Lauriston Smith, Assistant - Donald Ross
(others) Kenneth M. Strobel, Fred Carter, Kerry Smith, Lester Taber

Music - Lloyd C. Arnold, Melita B. Fisher, (R) Eleanor Smith, Louise Corrigan.

Peace and Social Concern - Ann de Nevers, Lloyd C. Arnold, Richard McNamara

12-28-'62 Flower Committee - Dorothy Mowry and Laura Follett Co-Chairman - Wilma Smith, Nellie M. Fisher, Ruth Smith (Mrs. L.) Marion Ross.

Delegate to Woonsocket Council of Church Women - Bessie F. Ewen.

The matter of appointment of Elders is left over for another Meeting.

The Finance Committee submits the following estimated Budget for the year 1963.

Pastor's salary	$1820.00
Janitor's "	240.00
Organist	260.00
Fuel, light and water	500.00
Insurance	275.00
United Budget	300.00
Relief fund	200.00
Repairs and Improvements	1000.00
	$4595.00
Anticipated income from	1300.00
	$3295.00

Invested Funds $700
" from Rent 600
$1300

Amt to be raised

Respectfully submitted.
Finance Committee

No further business appearing we conclude.
Melita B. Fisher, clerk.

1-25-63 At Smithfield Monthly Meeting of Friends held at Woonsocket, R.I. First Month 25, 1963.

The Minutes of last Meeting are read.

The report of the Treasurer shows $453.69 in the General Fund with all current bills paid.

The Annual Report of the Treasurer is read. A copy follows:

Balance on hand 12-30-61		$604.00
Receipts 1962		
Collections - Envelopes	$1234.24	
" United Budget	338.74	

	Brought forward	$2572.98	
1-25-'63	Invested Funds	708.64	$604.00
	From Invested Funds	839.40	
	Ladies' Aid Society	100.00	
	Rent from Parsonage	600.00	
	Estate Sara Burke	25.00	
	5 Year Missions	10.00	
	Algerian Relief	30.00	
	Cuban "	10.00	
	Deficit for U. Budget	49.00	
	Miscellaneous	36.00	4980.42

Total Receipts $5584.42

Expenses

Pastor's Salary	1680.00
Ministerial Supply	160.00
Organists Salary	230.00
Janitor's "	240.00
Fuel	435.27
Lights	35.50
Water-Mtg House & Parsonage	22.48
Repairs-downstairs floor	115.00
Re-decorating Auditorium	839.40
United Budget	627.29
Relief Committee	95.50
Insurance	260.49
Cuban relief	35.00
Algerian relief	70.00
Five year Missions	10.00
Com. Nat. Legislation	13.00
Com. for C.O.'s	10.00
Office supplies	19.45
Snow Plowing	26.00
Safe Deposit Box	5.50
Miscellaneous	68.90

Total expense $5011.78

Balance 12-31-62 572.64

Balance on hand Gen. Fund 12-31-'62	$453.69
" Relief Committee	108.95
" Peace Soc. Concerns	10.00
	$572.64

Signed by Kenneth Strobel
Treas.

1-25-63 This report is accepted & will be audited before our next meeting.

The Sunshine Committee reports Get Well cards sent to Vera Adams, Beatrice Ewen, Etta Pendleton & Mrs. Henderson.

The Ladies' Aid gladly agreed to pay for telephone at the Meeting House. Marion Ross was asked to attend to it and have it listed as Friends Meeting House Study, which she has done.

An official communication from Executive Council of Five Years Meeting of Friends regarding our relationship as Friends to the National Council is at hand. As our pastor had read excerpts in our Meeting for Worship which particularly stressed loyalty to Jesus Christ believing that our greatest defense against Communism is a strong Christian Church, we did not think it necessary to read the letter.

The matter of rotating [illegible] appointment of Elders left over from [illegible] has again our consideration. The revised [illegible] suggests that [illegible] members [illegible] Ministry and Counsel [illegible] Term of office [illegible] of members [illegible] appointed each year. It may be desirable to reappoint for a second term. As we have twelve members on Ministry [illegible] and Council in keeping with the rotation of office as [illegible] as the term of [illegible] office [illegible] six or more years should not be [illegible] it [illegible] have been [illegible] in the [illegible]

Leaflets issued by National Council of Churches sent us by Herbert Huffman, Chairman of Board Peace and Social Concerns on the [illegible] of the Church in a Changing Society are available. Clerk is requested to send for more copies.

January Newsletter and The Peacemaker are on hall table for anyone interested.

1-15-63 A letter from Ruth L. B. White, chairman of Yearly Meeting Missionary Committee informs us that Friends are available as speakers who have recently worked in our Mission Field: Edwin Hinshaw, pastor at Westport Meeting, George Minott, a native Jamaican, Herbert and Beatrice Kimball from Friends Bible Institute, Kaimosi, Kenya, now serving at Durham Meeting. On page 22 of 1962 N.E. Yearly Meeting Minutes recent visitors to Friends African Mission are listed. Robert Cook will contact George Minott in regard to a possible date in the future.

A letter from Ernest Reed informs us that David Stanfield, Sec of Board on Stewardship and Finance of the Five Years Meeting will be spending March 12th to 18th in N.E. Workshops for two day sessions with the Clerks of Mo. Mtg and Ministry & Council, Treasurer, Finance Committee, Religious Education and others are suggested. If this is not possible single meetings may be arranged. The only item of expense is transportation. Sandwich Quarterly Meeting has asked him for the 17th and 18th. If a workshop or a single meeting is desired, we are to notify Ernest Reed promptly. We are interested, but unless we could join with another group we feel that we must decline, hoping to get help at Yearly Meeting.

All banks are requiring an identification number. Our treasurer, Kenneth Strobel has consented to attend to the matter. He will also apply for exemption of State Sales Tax.

The Clerk is requested to send letters to Grace McNamara and Joseph C. Estes thanking them for their years of service as Elders and in accordance with rotation of office suggested by revised Discipline informing them that they ~~were~~ will not be reappointed until a lapse of at least one year.

Many people have missed the Sunday morning programs, and having requested its return, we approve of so doing.

No further business appearing we adjourned.

[illegible]

2-22-63 At Smithfield Monthly Meeting of Friends held at Woonsocket. R.I. Second Month 1963.

Minutes of last meeting are read. In the absence of the Asst. Clerk, Robert N. Cool was appointed to serve.

The report of Treasurer for month of January shows a balance of $470.29 on hand in General Fund

The report of the Investment Committee is as follows:

Total value of stocks	$9314.62
" " " bonds	5424.00
	14738.62
Total value of Bank a/cs	6804.22
	$21542.84
Less total principal + interest (held in trust)	14362.86
	$7179.98

Amount available to be used at the discretion of the meeting.

Total funds held in trust	$13140.42
Total interest held in trust	1222.44
	$14362.86

Interest added to bank a/cs during 1962	115.96
Interest received from Stocks + Bonds during 1962	716.14

Respectfully submitted - Nellie M. Fisher, Ch.

We appoint the Clerk and Assistant Clerk to prepare the statistical report for 1962

David Stanfield is to be at the Providence Meeting March 15 in afternoon and evening. It is hoped that some of our members especially treasurer and members of Finance Committee may be able to attend.

On April 4th and 5th, the Seventh Annual (Committee) Conference at U.N. will be held Theme - The U.N. Builds a Community for all mankind. We are urged to send a Representative. Registration $3 - Luncheon April 4, $2, hotel reservation $6 single - $10 double room.

2-22-63 If a Representative can be found, we approve of paying expense. The Peace and Social Concern Committee will have charge of this matter. The name of Ann de Nevers is suggested

Washington High School Seminars will be held Mar. 20-23, April 3-6. Application must be in February 25. Registration fee $10- meals at least $15- extras for travel, sight seeing, etc.

National Conference of Friends on Race Relations to be held at Oakwood School, Poughkeepsie, N.Y. June 16-21 Two Representatives are requested at a cost of $32 plus $3 registration. If names of Representatives are not available a letter naming a Friend for correspondence would be helpful.

A letter from the Director of Christian Education announces New England - New York Leadership School to be held at Poughkeepsie, N.Y. June 23-28 at an expense of $5. It is hoped that each quarter will appoint two people to attend

A letter from Clerk of N.E. Yearly Meeting and Theodore Paullin, Chairman of Peace Committee tells us of a Public Witness for Peace to be held in Boston Friday April 12th from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. We are asked to appoint an Overseer to participate. With the letter is a pamphlet Public Witness from Pa. Yearly Meeting which would make an interesting study. More copies are available. This matter will be considered later. Volunteers are requested.

No further business appearing, we adjourn
Melita B. Fisher, clerk

4 present
3-24-1963

At Smithfield Monthly Meeting of Friends held at Woonsocket, R.I. March 29, 1963.

The Minutes of last meeting are read

The report of Treasurer shows a balance of $425.88 in General Fund

The Sunshine Committee reports for February and March
In Feb. cards & programs sent to Etta Pendleton, Addie Paine and Notie Ewen, baby congratulations to Robert Taler & wife, get well cards to Bess Estes and Richard McNamara Valentines to Etta Pendleton, Addie Paine, Ann Aldrich, Mae Todd, Lila Smith.
In March - Annual reports with the programs were sent to Etta Pendleton, Addie Paine, Mae Todd, Ann Aldrich, Lila Smith and Perlena Fisher. Programs to Etta Pendleton, Addie Paine (3) and to Leona Ewen when unable to attend Church. 2 sympathy cards to the Fisher family, 1 get well card to Bess Estes, 1 belated birthday card to Mary Dickie and a birthday card to Lila Smith. Money spent since Jan. 1 - $5.35

The Statistical Report is read as prepared by the Committee appointed which will be forwarded to Clerk of Quarterly Meeting.

It is suggested by the Nominating Committee of the S School that the Home Department be merged with the Christian Education Committee of the Monthly Meeting. The matter was left over for consideration at our next Monthly Meeting.

As Quarterly Meeting is to be held in Worcester, Mass. on Apr. 30, the Queries are read and we appoint the following persons as our Representatives - Kenneth and Eunice Strobel, Louise Corrigan, Lloyd Arnold, Bessie Ewen, Lauriston Smith.

We have a notice again reminding us of the Public Witness for Peace to be held in Boston on Friday, April 12.

There are three piano stools in downstairs recreation room. Marion Ross would like to buy one. We approve of donating it to her.

3-29-'63 No Representative was available to attend the U. N. Conference in N. Y.

Kenneth Strobel, a member of the Yearly Meeting Finance Committee reminds us of a deficit in the United Budget. At a meeting held recently we are urged to raise our heights.

A letter of thanks from the Fisher family was read

No further business we adjourn.

Melita B. Fisher, clerk.

Statistics for Smithfield **Monthly Meeting for 19**62

1.	Number of Members last year, DEC 31 1961	90
2.	Additions due to Omissions in last year's Report, DEC 31 1961	0
3.	Additions by Birth,	0
4.	Additions by Request,	0
5.	Additions by Certificate from another Friends Meeting,	0
6.	Additions by Letter from another Denomination,	0
7.	Total Additions,	0
8.	Loss due to Removal of persons included by Error in last year's Report, DEC 31 1961	0
9.	Loss by Death,	1
10.	Loss by Disownment,	0
11.	Loss by Resignation,	0
12.	Loss by Discontinuance,	0
13.	Loss by Certificate to Another Friends Meeting,	0
14.	Loss by Letter to another Denomination,	0
15.	Total Loss,	1
16.	Number of Members this year, DEC 31 1962	89
17.	Net Gain,	
18.	Net Loss,	1
19.	Number of Males,	35
20.	Number of Females,	54
21.	Number under 21 years of age,	10
22.	Number of Associate Members,	8
23.	Number of Associate Members Transferred to Active Membership,	0
24.	Number of Resident Members,	51
25.	Number of Non-Resident Members,	38
26.	NUMBER OF ADULT RESIDENT MEMBERS,	41
27.	AVERAGE ATTENDANCE AT SUNDAY WORSHIP (ESTIMATE).	30

PROVE ALL FIGURES AND TOTALS AS SUGGESTED BELOW.

4-26-63 At Smithfield Monthly Meeting of Friends held at Woonsocket, R.I. April 26, 1963

The Minutes of last meeting are read.
The Treasurer reports $428.70 on hand in General Fund
No report from Sunshine Committee

The suggestion from the Nominating Committee of the Sunday School that the Home Department be a part of the Christian Education Committee of the Monthly Meeting is to be carried over to our next meeting.

The need for a speed up in giving to the United Budget is stressed in letters from [illegible] Rowe, Treas. of N.E. Yearly Meeting and from Thomas Bodine and Robert Owen. Unless funds come in promptly there will be a deficit.
A notice of a retreat at Woolman Hill April 26-28 for members of Ministry Counsel is at hand, sounds most interesting.
Kenneth Strobel, a member of Yearly Meeting Finance Committee suggests that the matter of United Budget be referred to our Finance Committee for immediate action.

We have received bulletins from R.C.N.L., Polaris Action, A.F.S.C., American Assoc. for U.N. inc., Lincoln School League Annual Giving, Dr. World College and a circular on tapes and filmstrips an announcement from a Friends Boarding School.

We approve of giving five dollars $5 to the annual drive of Lincoln ~~School~~ League.

7 present Our business being accomplished we conclude.
Melita B. Fisher clerk.

5/31/63 At Smithfield Monthly Meeting of Friends held at Woonsocket, R.I. May 31, 1963.

The Minutes of last Meeting are read

The Treasurer's Report shows a balance of $51.42 in General Fund.

A poster from the Five Years Meeting tells how to enter a Bigger World. This poster will be placed on bulletin board along with an outline of Programs for Adults + Youth for Five Years Meeting.

A letter from Women's International League for Peace and Freedom c/o Pearl Buck asks for contributions for their work

The May Newsletter from F.C.N.L. is at hand. Pope John's words regarding world peace is read.

The last Polaris Action Bulletin is at hand giving a schedule of peace walks. Contributions are always gratefully received.

A letter from Robert N. Cool has been read. He feels that he cannot serve as our pastor the coming year. This is a matter of regret for he has the esteem of all our members and we had hope he might continue with us for a longer period. The matter is referred to the Meeting of Ministry and Council for their consideration.

Information regarding a non-sectarian kindergarten from St James Episcopal Church has been received. Applications are here for anyone desiring them.

An announcement that Elton Trueblood will be the speaker at the Morning Meeting for Worship June 9th is given

The report of the Spiritual Condition of our-meeting has been read. It was sent to the Quarterly Meeting. A copy to be retained here.

Mildred Roberts from Cambridge Meeting gave an interesting, worth while message at our Morning Meeting, May 26, 1963. The clerk is requested to write a note of appreciation. That cards also be sent to Etta Pendleton and Warren Rowe from the Mtg.

4 present No further business at hand we adjourn

Melita R Fisher, Clerk.

6-28-63 At Smithfield Monthly Meeting of Friends held at Woonsocket, R.I. June 28, 1963.

The Minutes of last Meeting are read

The report of the Treasurer shows a balance of $284.77 in General Fund

The report of the Sunshine Committee for the months of April May and June is as follows:

6 Easter cards sent
3 Get Well " "
1 Birthday card
1 Sympathy " 6 programmes. Cost of above $3.25

As three of our young Friends (Cynthia Mowry, Lea Estes, Carol Fisher) and one of our Juniors (Robert Mowry) plan to attend China Camp. Some of the adult members felt that the Meeting should help with their expenses, suggesting ten dollars ($10) each. This was approved by the Monthly Meeting and the money sent to the Yearly Meeting Treasurer.

A letter regarding a test-ban treaty in the interest of American security has been received from F C N L in Washington, D.C. urging each of us to send letters to President Kennedy and both of our Senators in a joint campaign to prevent the spread of nuclear weapons. The addresses will be posted. The pastor is requested to make this announcement in our

6-28-63 Meeting for Worship.

Since our last Monthly Meeting, Beverly Rowe, one of our members has suffered a great loss in the death of her husband who was painfully burned. Our sympathy is extended to her. They had occupied the parsonage which has now been vacated. There have been several applicants for it but until we know whether it will be needed for a pastor, we cannot rent it.

Wilma and Kenneth Smith request the use of the Church, Sunday, June 30th to hold a shower for Gail Good whose engagement to Kerry Smith has been announced. This request is granted.

The Queries have been read + considered. We appoint Lloyd Arnold, Kenneth Strobel, Bessie Evans, Laura Follett, Ruth and Lauriston Smith as our Representatives to attend Quarterly Meeting at Sturbridge, Mass. on August 4, 1963.

Lloyd Arnold, clerk of Ministry and Counsel has the names of possible pastors for the future which will be considered at a Meeting which will be held July 1st at the home of the Clerk.

Lloyd reported that at the Meeting of Ministry and Counsel held recently, the following recommendations are made - that meetings will be held during August with supply pastors receiving twenty dollars ($20), that Robert Cool be given the month of August as vacation with pay, that Meetings for Worship begin at 10 a.m. instead of 11 during July and August and over Labor Day Sunday, that a longer period of silence be given in Morning Meeting, giving time for reflection and meditation.

We approve of our organist having two weeks vacation with pay, choosing her own time.

6-28-63 We feel that the check from Beverly Rowe for rent should be returned.

Lloyd gave excerpts from notes taken at Yearly Meeting from the address by Sam Levering.

Our business being accomplish we conclude.

6 present Melita B. Fisher, clerk.

No Monthly Meeting was held in July

8-30-63

At Smithfield Monthly Meeting of Friends held 8th Month, 30 1963 at Woonsocket, R.I.

The Minutes of last Meeting are read
The report of the Treasurer shows a balance of $92.20 in General Fund.

At a Meeting of Ministry and Counsel held here Eighth Month 10, 1963 it was recommended that the parsonage be rented to Kerry Smith & Gail Goode who are to be married September 14 - Rent $50 a month doing their own repairing beginning August 15th. We approve of this recommendation.

As we have no permanent pastor at this time, it is suggested that we dispense with the church telephone which is approved.

On Thursday, August 22 a beautiful electric organ was presented to the Meeting by Austin N. Cook. All are grateful for this gift. The Clerk is directed to write a note of appreciation.

A Labor Day message from National Council of Churches is at hand & we are asked to have it read on Labor Day Sunday. It will be given to the visiting pastor.

A letter from Eugene Coffin, Chairman of Evangelism Church Extension gives suggestions as to

8-30-'63 what Meetings of Ministry + Counsel + Monthly Meetings should do to understand more fully the Mission of the Church. This matter is referred to Ministry + Counsel.

Friends Journal is offering a special rate for students.

A letter from John Kellam, Ch of Social Concern Committee of Yearly Meeting informs us of a R.I. Conference on Religion + Race in January. It is suggested that a communication be sent Bishop McVinney or Bishop Higgins stating our approval and voicing our hopes for its successful accomplishments, promising co-operation in its purposes and deliberations. We approve of this being done.

A letter from Earl Conn, editor of Quaker Life tells of the Every Home Plan where subscriptions sent to one address are available for one dollar ($1) Many meetings do this. This is referred to the Christian Education Committee for a report at our next meeting.

A program of a U.N. Seminar for Quaker pastors on September 24-26 in N.Y. is here urging pastors to attend.

From F.C.N.L. comes information regarding nuclear test ban treaty.

Flyers about three conferences to be held at Powell House, Old Chatham, N.Y. will be distributed in the Meeting. Quaker Pastors Conference Sept. 30-Oct. 3 Meeting Workers' Conference Oct. 3-5, Mission Board Oct 5-6. These are Joint Con by N.Y. + N.E. Yearly Meetings.

A letter from Beverly Rowe thanking the Meeting for refund on rent, expressing pleasure living in parsonage has been read

8-30-'63 Letters from Cynthia and Robert Mowry express appreciation for help in attending China Camp. Verbal appreciation was expressed for help to Carol Fisher, also.

Kenneth Strobel asks permission to place a chart on (for) United Budget in hall. We approve.

No further business, we adjourn

4 present Melita B. Fisher, clerk

9-27-63 At Smithfield Monthly Meeting of Friends held at Woonsocket, R. I. Ninth Month 27, 1963

In the absence of the Assistant Clerk, Eunice Strobel is appointed to serve.

Minutes of last meeting are read.

Report of Treasurer is read showing a balance of $114.45 in General Fund of treasury.

No report from Sunshine Committee

Leslie and Laura Follett request the use of the Meeting House October 12 th for the marriage of their daughter, Marilyn Leslie to Irving Kinder at 2 p.m. This request is unanimously approved.

The Clerk of Ministry and Counsel has conferred with Robert N. Cool about continuing as pastor, after having had many members express a desire for him to remain with us. No mention of salary or vacation has been made. We appoint Lloyd Arnold to make arrangements similar to those of last year if satisfactory to Robert N. Cool. New year to begin October 1.

Kenneth Strobel has received a letter from Richard Hoss, Chairman China Camp Committee, asking him to thank Quarterly and Smithfield Meetings for generous donations. He feels that it was a very successful year at the Camp.

Announcement of a new Directory of Meetings is available for (50cts) fifty cents. The clerk will order 2.

9-27-63 Announcement of Conferences to be held at Woolman Hill on "A Concern for Civil Rights" - Oct. 18-20, Nov. 15-17, Jan. 17-19 has been posted. Speakers - James Breeden, curate of St. James Episcopal Church of Roxbury, Mass., Noel & Peggy Day - Noel, director of St. Marks Social Center, Peggy, a former Field Secretary for Student Non Violent Coordinating Committee, Rev. William Shields of International Theological Center of Atlanta, Ga. & President Landrum Bolling of Earlham College, Richmond, Ind.

As Quarterly Meeting occurs here the third Saturday in October we appoint Louise Taber & Marion Ross, co-chairmen to make arrangements for the supper, choosing their own committee.

The Queries are read and we appoint Eleanor Mowry, Robert Mowry, Richard McNamara, Bessie Ewen, Lloyd Arnold Ruth Smith, as our Representatives to attend the Quarterly Meeting to be held here.

The matter of having Quaker Life sent to one address was considered. The Clerk offered to write Earl Conn for more information concerning the matter.

No farther business appearing we adjourn.

Melita B. Fisher, clerk.

10-25-'63 At Smithfield Monthly Meeting of Friends held at Woonsocket, R.I., Tenth Month 25, 1963.

The Minutes of last Meeting are read.

The Report of Treasurer shows a balance of $201.53 in General Fund

The Supper Committee for Quarterly Meeting report an attendance of about 30. An excellent supper was the comment of all - prepared by Louise Taber, Beverly Rowe & Dorothy Mowry.

The Caretakers presented a statement from Valois Electric Supply Co. with price of work needed at Church. It seemed wise to ask Caretakers to secure other bids.

10-25-'63 A letter from John Kellam, Ch. of Yrly. Mtg. Social Concerns Committee asks our Meeting to give support to Civil Rights Program by means of letters to our Representatives. It is suggested that this letter and the copy of one to Sen. Claiborne Pell be given to our Social Concerns Committee for their consideration.

A letter from George Bliss, Chairman of the Executive Council of N.E. Yearly Meeting suggests that our Field Secretary visit Monthly Meetings to become acquainted with Friends not involved in Quarterly or Yearly Meeting activities. We are advised to confer with Lois Marsellar if any such help is needed.

A letter from Herbert Huffman is referred to Peace & Social Concerns Committee.

Samples of Christmas cards to help Unicef are on hand. Orders are solicited @ $1.25 a box.

Attention is called to pamphlet Quaker Outreach put out by Board of Evangelism and Church Extension & The Volunteer by George Rae of A.F.S.C. These will be placed in hall.

Letter from A.F.S.C. announce annual meetings to be held in Philadelphia Nov. 22 and 23. Colin Bell, Executive Secretary. While we may not be able to work in Peru, Africa, Middle East or Southeast Asia, we can help by financial assistance making it possible for others to go where need is greatest.

Laura & Leslie Follett have sent five dollars (5) to the Meeting for use of the Church for Marilyn's wedding. While we feel that it is unneccary, we appreciate the gift.

Nominating Committee is reminded to bring in names of Officers and Committees at our next Meeting.

10-25-63 The question is Quarterly Meeting Worthwhile? Should we Unite with another Quarterly Meeting? These questions were discussed it was felt that the program had too little publicity, that visitors from other Quarterly Meetings should be invited, our own people should be encouraged to attend, something should be done to attract young people. The sense of the Meeting seems to be to continue our own Quarterly Meeting with the hope that by united effort our programs may become more attractive

Our attendance at Morning Worship has not increased since summer + being concerned about it, various suggestions have been given such as an unprogrammed meeting, a dignified invitation to people without a Church home, inserted in daily paper, inviting them to join us, lay persons to assist the pastor, contact new people in community, place an attractive sign outside the Meeting House and one at the corner directing people to the Church. The matter of erecting signs is referred to the Caretakers. Robert N. Cool, Donald Ross, Ruth Smith are appointed to prepare the invitation for daily paper

No further business appearing, we conclude.
Nita B. Fisher, Clerk

10 present

11-29-63 At Smithfield Monthly Meeting of Friends held at Woonsocket R.I. November 29, 1963.

The Minutes of last Meeting are read

The Treasurer's Report, with all current bills paid shows a balance of $265.11 in General Fund

A letter from the Board on Christian Education offers A Youth Week Packet for seventy-five cents to aid in observance of Youth Week Jan 26-Feb 2. This matter is referred to Christian Education Committee

The statement from Bates Electric Supply Co. reported by Caretakers lacked some information about checking wires. The report was [illegible] lacking in detail. It was suggested that

11-29-'63 other bids be solicited. No report was presented. It is suggested that caretakers have wires checked for safety.

The Report of Nominating Committee being incomplete will be presented at our next meeting.

The people in parsonage suggest that the mail box there be used at Meeting House. Approval is given for a slot to be put in Meeting House door.

A letter to Monthly Meetings from George Bliss, head of the Meeting School in Rindge has been read. A brochure is enclosed with a suggestion that he would be glad to meet with a group of young people giving the aims + rates of the School. We suggest that this be referred to the Youth Committee.

Letters from Committee for Non Violent Action, Friends Committee on National Legislation, Bulletin from Polaris Action + a copy of the Peacemaker are at hand. These are to be turned over to Peace + Social Concerns Committee.

Peace + Social Concern Committee feel the need of two additional subscriptions to Washington Newsletter from F.C.N.L in order to thoroughly understand problems. They ask permission to use part of their fund for the above, which is approved.

In regard to having a change in receiving mail, the Post Office must be notified and number of Smithfield Road given.

Present Our business being accomplished we conclude

Bessie F. Ewen, Asst. Clerk

Report of Investment Committee for 1963.

Total Value of Stocks	$9,713.12
Total Value of Bonds	5,708.00
Total Value of Bank Accounts	6,930.77
	$22,351.89
Less total principal & interest held in trust	14,489.41
	$ 7,862.48

Total Funds held in trust	$13,140.42
Total Interest held in trust	1,348.99
	$14,489.41

Respectfully submitted,

Nellie M. Dishon

Leslie Baker

Lloyd Arned

Eleanor Beatty

1-3-64 At Smithfield Monthly Meeting of Friends held at Woonsockit, R.I. January 3, 1964 - postponed from Dec. 27, 1963.

In the absence of Asst. Clerk - Robert Cook was appointed to serve.
The Minutes of last Meeting are read.
The Report of the Treasurer shows a balance of $22.92 in the Fund

Letters of thanks from Ann Aldrich and Etta Pendleton for Christmas gifts from Sunshine Committee are read. Nole Ewen, Perlina Fisher and Mae Todd send verbal thanks.

We are urged to observe January 5 as Dynamic Discipleship Sun. - rededicating our lives for the New Year. Jan. 5-11 is the Universal Week of Prayer in which all are called to pray for peace and spiritual renewal for the Nation and the World. Material from Five Years' Meeting has been received and we are advised to make use of it.

Announcement of a Conference at Woolman Hill - subject "A Concern for Civil Rights" on Friday, January 17 will be led Pres. Landrum Bolling of Earlham College. Discussion Jan 18 from 10 a.m. to 10 p.m. On Jan 19 a time for Worship and evaluation ending 11:30.

A message on Race Relations by Herbert Huffman will be placed on bulletin.

R.I. Conference on Religion and Race will be held January 27-28 at R.I. College (off Mt. Pleasant Ave.) We are urged to attend the two day sessions. The Conference is an All Faith endeavor to delineate the problems and suggest solution. The Peace and Social Concern Committee is asked to try to secure at least one Representative.

A letter from Board of Christian Social Concerns of the Five Years Meeting regarding nation wide fallout shelter system suggests that if we are opposed to this action we should send letters to our Senators re Bill H.R. 8200.

A statement of Concern by Young Friends of N.A. Peace Caravan is at hand on bulletin board. Well worth reading.

1-3-64 A check of one hundred dollars ($100) for the upkeep of the old Friends Cemetery has been received from Carleton Aldrich which has been endorsed by our Treasurer and placed in the hands of the Investment Committee to be added to the Cemetery Fund in the Meeting. Mr. Aldrich suggests that an endowment fund be established. He reports that Mr Burton Mowry, Supt. of Union Cemetery will give some help toward keeping the old cemetery in order for a reasonable price. In answer to this letter and acknowledging the check, the Clerk left the matter of raising funds to the Cemetery Committee.

The Sunshine Committee reports for the month of Dec. as follows:

9 boxes note paper	$5.46 tax included
9 books of 5ct. stamps	9.00 = $14.46

These were sent to each of the following - Mae B. Todd, Etta Pendleton, Lela Smith, Addie Raine, Ann Aldrich, Edna Trask, Grace McNamara, Mary Bickel, Retina Fisher.

Signed by Louise Corrigan - Ch. Sunshine Committee and
Louise Tober - Ch. Home Dept.

The Annual report of the Sunshine Committee follows. 15 get well cards, 2 baby cards, 5 birthday cards, 3 sympathy cards, 5 Valentine cards, 6 Easter cards, 9 Christmas gifts. In addition to the above cards sent out Annual reports and programs were sent out when available.

Signed by Louise Corrigan, Ch. Sunshine Committee

The Finance Committee submits the following estimated budget for the year 1964.

Pastors Salary	$1820.00
Janitor's	240.00
Organist	260.00
Fuel, Light Water	500.00
Insurance	375.00
United Budget	300.00
Relief Fund	200.00
Repairs & Improvement	[illegible]
	$[illegible]

The Clerk and Asst. Clerk were appointed to prepare the Statistical Report.

1-8-'64 Anticipated income

Rents -	$460.00	
Invested Funds	700.00	$1300.00
Amount to be raised		3240.00

Signed by Nellie M. Fisher, Chairman
Kenneth Strobel
" Smith
Wilma "
Walter Symes
Robert Mowry

Report of Caretakers for the year '63 -
Stairs were repainted & new rubber treads put on. 2 new rubber mats. Linoleum on downstairs hallway - rubber from hallway to coal shed, bulletin board painted & new glass installed. Estimates procured for electrical work, for painting auditorium and recreation room downstairs. Fixed trap in lavatory, repaired and replaced glass in combination door at parsonage, small plumbing job done, inspected heating system
Louie Faber chairman

An oral report of Sunday School work was given by Lloyd C. Arnold, Supt.
He spoke of the faithful teachers, that giving was stressed - buffalo nickels contributed, a mitten tree held about 60 pair of mittens, Christmas party successful, unusually well attended. He suggested that a pocketbook owned by Caroline LeRoy who now lives in another area should be returned to the Supt.

The report of the Nominating Committee was presented and will be acted on at our next meeting with a few changes.

We welcome Ralph Cook a member of this Meeting, now residing in Camden, Me. He tells us that a group of Friends who meet regularly has applied to Vassalboro Quarterly Meeting asking if it is possible for them to establish a Monthly Meeting. We are proud to have members who are cannot meet with us, continue to carry on Friends work.

1-3-'64 Robert N. Cool announces the marriage of his daughter Ann on February 1st at Friends Meeting in Providence, R.I. to which we are all invited

No further business we conclude
Nelita B. Fisher, clerk

1-1-1964 At Smithfield Monthly Meeting of Friends held at Woonsocket, R.I. First Month 31, 1964

The Minutes of last Meeting are read
The Report of Treasurer shows a balance of $422.39 in General Fund with all bills paid.

The Annual Report of Treasurer has been read and is as follows:

Balance on hand General Fund 1-1-63		$453.69
" " Peace & Social Concerns		10.00
" " " Relief Fund		108.95
		$572.64
Receipts		
Collections & envelopes	$2034.66	
" United Budget	358.80	
Invested Funds	705.52	
Rent - parsonage	500.00	
Ladies Aid Society	100.00	
Christmas Offering	100.00	
Miscellaneous	21.00	
	$3819.98	3819.98
		$4392.62
Expenses:		
Pastor's Salary	$1610.00	
Organists	250.00	
Janitors	240.00	
Ministerial Supply	180.00	
R.I. Gas & Electric	65.26	
City of Woonsocket (Water)	38.57	
N.E. Coal Company	250.91	
R.P. Smith Insurance	260.49	
John Taylor - U Budget	358.80	
Repairs	22.59	

1-31-'64	Sunshine Committee	$24.06	Receipts $4392.62
	Mimeograph Repairs & Supplies	27.50	
	Safe Deposit Rental	5.50	
	Stock Purchase Irving Tr.	35.70	
	Relief Committee	178.50	
	Lincoln School	5.00	
	China Camp Fund	40.00	
	Miscellaneous	37.35	
	Total Expenses 1963	$3960.23	3960.23
	Balance on hand Dec 31, 63		432.39

Balance on Hand Gen Fund 12-31-64 $422.39
" " " Peace & Social Concerns 10.00
$432.39

Signed by Kenneth M. Strobel, Treasurer

The Report of the Nominating Committee presented last month was returned for corrections which is now acceptable to this Meeting and is as follows

Clerk - Nelita R. Fisher
Asst. Clerk - Bessie F. Ewen
Treasurer - Kenneth M. Strobel
Asst. Treasurer - Lester R. Taber
Correspondent Ann de Nevers

Committees

Investment - Nellie M. Fisher, Lloyd C. Arnold, Eleanor Mowry, Lester R. Taber
Finance - Robert E. Mowry, Kenneth M. Strobel, Velma Smith, Kenneth Smith, Walter Jones, Nellie M. Fisher
Caretakers - Laurston Smith, Louise Corrigan, Donald Ross, Leslie Follett.
Relief - Lloyd C. Arnold
Sunshine - Louise Corrigan
Etta Pendleton
Leona Ewen
Missionary - Bessie F. Ewen, Mae B. Todd, Etta Pendleton, Leona Ewen, Grace McNamara.
Christian Education and Stewardship Robert N. Cook, Eunice Strobel, Eleanor Mowry, Marjory Doyle, Lloyd C. Arnold Ex-Officio

1-31-64 Youth Group - Ann de Nevers, Ruth Smith, Priscilla Acord
Cynthia Mowry
Cemeteries - Mapleville - Joseph C. Estes
Woonsocket - Carleton Aldrich, Doris Mowry.
Battye Ewen.
East Blackstone - Robert Mowry, Leslie Follett Ernest
Smith

Ushers.
Head Usher - Lauriston Smith
Asst " Donald Ross, Kenneth Strobel, Alan Brooks,
Kerry Smith, Lester Taber
Music - Lloyd C. Arnold, Eleanor Smith, Louise Corrigan, Melita B. Fisher
Peace and Social Concerns - Ann de Nevers, Lloyd C. Arnold
Richard McNamara, Doris Mowry
Flower - Dorothy Mowry, Laura Follett co chairmen
Wilma Smith, Ruth Smith (Mrs. L.) Marion Ross, Nellie M. Fisher
Delegate to Woonsocket Council of Church Women - Bessie Ewen
Elders
1964 - Lloyd C. Arnold, Lauriston Smith, Lester R. Taber,
Melita B. Fisher.
1965 - Grace McNamara, Leona Ewen, Laura (Smith) Follett
1966 - Bessie Ewen, Wilma Smith, Louise Corrigan
Nominating Committee for 1964 - Louise Corrigan,
Donald Ross, Nellie M. Fisher, Bessie Ewen.
Signed by 1963 Nominating Committee
Lester R. Taber
Marion Ross
Laura Follett
Kenneth Smith (not present)

The Statistical Report has been presented which will be forwarded to the Quarterly Meeting Clerk & a copy kept on file here.

A letter from Thomas Bodine, Yrly. Mtg. Clerk and Ira Wine, Chairman of Peace Committee calls our attention to Public Witness for Peace in 1964 to be held in Boston, Mass. March 27 from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. We are asked to appoint at least one Overseer - duties of Overseers enclosed. This matter will be cared for by Peace and Social Concerns

1-31-'64 Committee. If an Overseer is procured the Meeting approves of paying expenses incurred.

A letter from Ruth L. B. White, Ch. of New England Yearly Meeting Missionary Committee gives us the names of missionary speakers available. On March 21, at 2 p.m. Willard Ware will report on ceremonies marking the Independence of Kenya at Cambridge, Mass. All are invited.

Louis Marstaller phoned from Wellesley, Mass., Jan 25 to say that Eugene Coffin, Chairman of Evangelistic Committee of the Five Years' Meeting will be in New England the week of May 4. He is now making appointments to visit meetings where he is invited. If possible we would hope to have him visit us at a Morning Meeting for Worship.

Louis also informed us that Moses Bailey is available to visit Meetings week ends or during week if contacted ahead of time.

Edwin Hinshaw is mentioned as a possible Young People's Worker.

As our small organ is no longer being used here, it has been suggested that we advertise it for sale. We approve of Ruth Smith inserting an Ad in the Woonsocket Call for three nights.

April 3, 4, 5 at Woolman Hill there will be a Seminar on Meaning of Membership in the Society of Friends. It is hoped that each Monthly Meeting will send members of Ministry and Counsel and other interested Friends. This matter will be considered at our next Mo. Meeting.

A letter from Herbert Huffman with bulletins concerning Race Relations Sunday, Feb. 9 has been received. It is hoped that we may join in this observance.

We are happy to welcome E. Merrill + Elsa L. Root into membership with Smithfield Monthly Meeting from West Richmond Monthly Meeting of Friends in Indiana. The clerk will acknowledge their removal certificate. An announcement of our acceptance of their membership

1-31-'64 will be made in Morning Meeting for Worship and a welcome given. The Clerk will write a note of welcome to them.

Bessie Ewen, ch. of Church Council of Women announces the World Day of Prayer, Feb. 14 to be held at Baptist Church

Ann de Nevers reported that Peace and Social Concerns Committee meet once a month, primary subject Race Relations. On Jan. 28, she & Doris P. Mowry attended an enthusiastic meeting in Providence on this subject. An open meeting was announced for Feb. 6 at the Jewish Synagogue.

The Report of Investment Committee was received and is as follows:

Funds held in Trust

Nancy Inman	$100.00	Income to be used only by our meeting
Abbie M. Harris	1000.00	" " " " " " " "
Clara Pitts Memorial	2927.62	" " " " " " " "
C. B. & R. B. Brown	400.00	" " " " " " " "
Dency A. Wilbur	5000.00	" " " " " " " "
Isabel Read	331.14	" " " " " " " "
M. & A. Walling	1000.00	" " " " " " " "
H. Southwick	400.00	" for bldg., cemetery & fence
Nelson Taft	200.00	" " repairs to meetinghouse
James S. Read	331.14	" " Sunday School
A. & A. Cranston	190.01	" " Missions (Sunday School)
Gertrude Pinkham	100.00	" " flower Committee
E. S. Aldrich	35.51	" and principal for needy women
Andrew Comstock	500.00	" for E. Blackstone Mtg. House & Cemetery
Avis B. Steere	500.00	For the mtg. after 25 yrs. (8/31/45
Woonsocket Cemetery	25.00	For repair & upkeep of Woon. cemetery
Mapleville "	100.00	Income for upkeep of Mapleville "
	$13,140.42	

Name of Banks

	Book No.	Int. '63	Value of a/c	Int. held in Trust
R. I. Hospital Trust	47136	$37.21	$1215.23	$215.23
Woon. Inst. for Savings	106961	18.65	454.48	123.34
R. I. Hospital Trust	28307	9.82	321.35	131.34
" " " "	6290	4.35	142.92	42.92
" " " "	13085	1.90	63.39	27.88

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Statistics for Smithfield Monthly Meeting for 1963

1.	Number of Members last year,	89			
2.	Additions due to Omissions in last year's Report,	1			
3.	Additions by Birth,				
4.	Additions by Request, including from another Denomination,	2			
5.	Additions by Certificate from another Friends Meeting,				
6.	Total Additions,	3			
7.	Loss due to Removal of persons included by Error in last year's Report,				
8.	Loss by Death,	1			
9.	Loss by Discontinuance, Resignation, or Disownment,	1			
10.	Loss by Certificate to another Friends Meeting,				
11.	Loss by Letter to another Denomination,				
12.	Total Loss,	2			
13.	Number of Members this Year,	90			
14.	Net Gain,	1			
15.	Net Loss,				
16.	Number of Males,	36			
17.	Number of Females,	54			
18.	Number under 21 years of age,	12			
19.	Number of Junior Members,	10			
20.	Number of Junior Members Transferred to Active Membership,	1			
21.	Number of Resident Members,	52			
22.	Number of Non-Resident Members,	38			
23.	Average Attendance at Sunday Worship (estimate),	30			
24.	Average Attendance of Children at Sunday School,	25			
25.	Average Attendance of Adults at Sunday School,	7			
26.	Number of Sunday School Classes.	6			

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Woon. Instit	50614	$43.70	$1,064.29	$564.29
Ind Nat'l of Prov.	2772	10.92	343.99	243.99
		$126.55	$3,605.65	$1348.99

Woon. Inst. of Savings 66439 $3,325.12 available for use of mtg.

Stock

Name		
Irving Trust	16 shs.	$796.00
Ind. Nat'l Bank of Prov.	45 "	2319.50
1st " " " Boston	32 "	2816.00
Prov. Washington Ins.	32 "	856.00
		$6,785.50

Bonds

1-Amer. Tel + Tel	2/3/4%	4/1/82	$1010.00
1-N.Y. Putnam R.R.	4%	1993	610.00
2-U.S. Treasury Bonds	2 1/2%	1962-72	1938.00
			$3,558.00

Certificate of Deposit at Plantations Bank 2150.

Total Stocks	$6785.50
" Bonds	5708.00
	$12,493.50
Woon. Inst. for Savings	3,325.12
Clara Pitts Fund	2,927.62
	18,746.24
Bank Accounts	3605.65
	$22,351.89
Less total principal and interest held in trust	14,489.41

$7,862.48 Amt. available to be used at the discretion of the meeting.

No further business appearing we conclude.

Melita B. Fisher, clerk.

2-28-64 At Smithfield Monthly Meeting of Friends held at Woonsocket, R.I. February 28, 1964.

In absence of the Asst. Clerk Robert N. Cool was appointed to serve.

The Minutes of last meeting are read

The Report of the Treasurer has been read showing a balance of $[illegible] in General Fund

At our last meeting a Seminar on Meaning of Membership in the Society of Friends was announced for April 3, 4, 5 at Woolman Hill. Members of Ministry and Counsel and other interested Friends are suggested as Representatives. The matter was left over for this Meeting to consider. At this time we have no Representative

Harold Myers a member of N.E. Yearly Meeting Evangelistic Committee in arranging an itinerary for Eugene Coffin in May tells us that he is to be in Providence Friends Meeting for morning Worship. He suggest that a mid-week meeting be arranged for here. We feel that it would be wiser to unite with another group in Providence or elsewhere as it is usually disappointing to plan evening meetings here.

The Report on the Spiritual Condition of the Meeting has been received by Meeting of Ministry and Counsel which was read at this Meeting. After a few additions it will be forwarded to the Quarterly Meeting Clerk.

A letter from Honolulu Friends Meeting expressing concern over segregation in Friends Meetings has been read. The need of a search within for the Spirit of Love and Brotherhood is stressed.

A bulletin of News and Discussion issued by Herbert Huffman, Executive Secretary of Board on Christian Social Concerns is at hand. Three problems in public morals are stressed. Moral Responsibility is listed by this department. Accomplishments of what is being done in different areas are cited.

A bulletin from A.F.S.C. has been placed on table which informs us of the key posts occupied by many former participants

2-25-64 A bulletin regarding immigrants will be placed on table. We are asked to distribute the enclosed article showing the lot of the poor in our country. More copies are available. The matter is referred to Peace and Social Concerns Committee.

From Friends Central Office the Certificate Loan Plan has been received. It invites members to join to provide help for new meetings, to aid Friends Meetings undertaking major improvements.

The Sunshine Committee reported as follows 1 birthday card to Mrs. Dickey, 1 Get Well card to Bessie Ewen, 3 Church programs to Addie Pierce and 7 Valentines sent to Shut-ins.

Ann de Nevers, a member of the Peace and Social Concerns Committee reports that their principal concern at present is Race Relations. Civil Rights Bill is the chief concern of F.C.N.L. as shown in News Letter. We approve of this Committee writing our Senators regarding Bill H R 7152 + sending for pamphlets showing the proper way of writing our Senators and Representatives. They suggest that others write, also.

Excerpts from News Letter were read by Ann + Lloyd Arnold showing the wide scope of the work of F.C.N.L. To keep in touch with their work it desirable for more of us to subscribe to the News Letter.

No further business before us we adjourn.

Nelda B Fisher clerk

3-27-64 At Smithfield Monthly Meeting of Friends held at Woonsocket, R.I. Third Month 27, 1964

The Assistant Clerk acted as Clerk in the absence of the Clerk. Lloyd C. Arnold was appointed assistant.

The Minutes of last meeting are read

The Report of the Treasurer has been read showing a balance of $396.23 in General Fund

The Queries have been read and we appoint Richard McNamara, Bessie Ewen, Ruth Smith, Lauriston Smith, Grace

3-27-1964 McNamara and others who may attend as our Representatives to Quarterly Meeting to be held in Worcester, Mass. April 18, 1964.

The Clerk notified Harold Myers that we thought it better to join some other meeting when Eugene Coffin was in N.E. rather than arrange for a meeting here.

A letter from Ralph E. and Jane E. Cook, requesting a transfer of membership for (their) them and their minor children, Lea Ann and James C. Estes to the newly formed Camden Monthly Meeting of Friends in Maine, is granted with regret. We enjoyed their work among us, previous to their removal.

The amended copy of the Spiritual Condition was brought to the Meeting and will be forwarded to the Clerk of the Quarterly Meeting.

Letters from the Committee on non-violent Action and from the F.C.N.L. are at hand and will be turned over to the Peace + Social Concerns Committee.

A letter and report from Board on Stewardship and Finance is at hand and will be referred to the Finance Committee

Caretakers report that the roof has been repaired. The insurance will cover this and the adjustor will examine the work. Mr. Morin will repair the wall inside at an early date at an estimated cost of $69. Cost of roof is $18.

We are reminded that a suggestion was made at our last Quarterly Meeting that the Smithfield Quarter be broken up and individual meetings join other Quarters. Representatives are directed that this Meeting does not approve.

7 members present Our business being accomplished we conclude.

[illegible] F. Owen, Assistant Clerk.

4-24-1964 At Smithfield Monthly Meeting of Friends held at Woonsocket, R.I. Fourth Month 24, 1964

The Minutes of last meeting are read

The Report of the Treasurer shows a balance of $366.45 in General Fund. $16.25 in Relief Fund, $1 in P+S.E.C.3.

All our Representatives except one attended Quarterly Meeting in Worcester.

An invitation from the Trustees of Moses Brown School to attend the dedication of Friends Hall on Thur April 30 is at hand. Symposium on Space is the topic presided over by Gov. Chafee. Other speakers are John Pastore, U.S. Senator and Charles H. Smiley Chairman of Department of Astronomy at Brown University. A reception will follow. A card is enclosed, returnable Apr 27. This announcement will be given in the Morning Meeting for Worship.

We are asked to consider the advisibility of conducting a Daily Vacation Bible School for one or two weeks in July. A young couple will have charge but will need help. We are to provide living quarters and pay them $25 a week. Yearly Meeting paying additional expense. We feel that is a worthy project and after consultation with teachers and pupils, if suitable arrangement for living can be made, further details will be given

A letter from Friends General Conference informs us that the Board on Christian Social Concerns of Five Years Meeting and the Peace and Social Order Committee of Friends General Conference are helping Young Friends of N.A. to plan and organize summer caravans. We are invited to contribute to the expenses of the group. This matter is to be further considered by the Peace and Social Concerns Committee who will report at our next meeting.

We think it advisable to appoint a committee to make a survey of available hospitality for visiting Friends who are present from time to time. Edith Smith is appointed to this service and asked to report at our next meeting.

4-24-'64 An appeal from Lincoln School for funds to carry on has come before us. No action taken.

Application forms for Young Friends and Juniors who need help from the Equalization Fund Committee to attend Yearly Meeting are available. Those wishing to attend must have a card signed by the Clerk. The balance in Fund is low, any help that individuals can give, should be sent to our Yearly Meeting Treasurer. China Camp application forms are also on hand.

A Lending Library has been established by the Christian Education Committee of N. E. Yearly Meeting at the N. E. Friends Home at Hingham, Mass. A list of books is given. Books may be kept for a four week period. This matter is referred to the Christian Education Committee of our meeting.

Announcement of a biennial conference at Cape May, N. J. from June 20 - 27 is made. Cost $50

A bulletin from A. F. S. C. giving information as to their work in different fields will be placed on bulletin board.

Ann de Nevers reports through Lloyd Arnold that Doris Mowry has visited the N.A.A.C.P. the suggestion is made that members of St. James Baptist Church be invited to attend a meeting here, where if arrangements can be made with Willard Ware, his African pictures will be shown. The matter of arrangements will be left to the Peace and Social Concerns Committee.

The Clerk is asked to write a note of thanks to the Garden Club of No. Smithfield for a flowering tree given our Society.

4 present No further business, we adjourn.

Melita B. Fisher

5-29-64 At Smithfield Monthly Meeting of Friends held at Woonsocket, R.I. Fifth Month 29, 1964.

The Minutes of last meeting are read
The report of the Treasurer shows a balance of $255.81 in General Fund - $106.25 in Relief Fund

Melita + Nellie Fisher wish to thank the Sunshine Committee for a Sympathy Card at the time of our cousin's death, Floyd Joyce.

Carol Wicks, Helen Carter and Cynthia Mowry hope to attend part of Yearly Meeting Sessions and have requested help from the Yearly Meeting Equalization Fund. As the requests for help were due June 1st, the Clerk sent the names previous to this Meeting and hopes that the action will be ratified

A bulletin from Herbert Huffman enclosing a sample "Penetration" announcement has been brought to our attention. It does not seem advisable to try to use this.

In a letter from General Secretary of Friends General Conference in Philadelphia is a copy of "A Quaker Call to Action in Race Relations" which has been distributed in their Monthly Meetings. Copies are available. This is to be turned over to the Peace and Social Concerns Committee.

A letter from Nat. Sharecroppers Fund asking support has been read. While this is a worthy cause we are unable to contribute to this fund.

A letter from David Stanfield has been read. He suggests that "released taxes" might be used as a gift to your own Yearly Meeting or to Five Years Meeting.

Announcement of Avon Institute July 18-25
Literature concerning it will be on table in hall.

5-29-64 Neal Ewen, a member of this meeting, now living out of town, asks that his name be taken from our membership in fairness to the Meeting and himself. The request is granted with regret.

Acknowledgment from the Clerk of Camden Monthly Meeting informing us that Ralphe E. + Jane E. Cook, Lee Ann + James C. Estes were received into membership in the state of Maine the 19th day of Fourth Month has been read. A letter from the Clerk is enclosed.

We are asked to sponsor the F. C. N. L. It is suggested this be tabled until the next meeting hoping the treasury will be richer.

Ruth Smith presents the following names of people who can entertain visitors when the need arises

Lauriston + Ruth Smith - overnight accomodations and meals except the week of July 19th + Aug. 17th

Bessie Ewen - meals only

Louise Corrigan - accomodations for one man or boy except in July.

Kenneth + Wilma Smith - meals only - preferably Sunday.

Robert + Beatrice Mowry ?

3 present Our business concluded we adjourn

Bessie F. Ewen, Assistant Clerk

6-26-64 At Smithfield Monthly Meeting of Friends held at Woonsocket, R. I. June 26, 1964.

The Minutes of last Meeting are read and approved. In the absence of the Clerk, the Assistant Clerk has charge of the Meeting.

The Report of the Treasurer shows a balance of $33.13 on hand in General Fund.

The Report of the Sunshine Committee for March April & May is as follows: 7 Easter cards, 3 get well cards, 9 programs, 4 birthday cards, 3 sympathy cards, 7 annual bulletins sent.

The Meeting of Ministry and Counsel recommend that beginning July 5, our Meetings for Worship be held at 10 a.m. instead of 11 a.m. This custom to continue until the Sunday after Labor Day, September 13 when the usual time will be resumed. We approve.

At this time we usually decide the date of our pastor's vacation and whether Meetings will be held all summer. We recommend that the pastor have four weeks vacation, Ministry & Counsel chairman to confer with him as to time, also to furnish supply during vacation.

Announcement is made of Smithfield Quarterly Meeting to be held at Sturbridge, Mass. July 18 at noon. Basket lunch followed by Meeting of Ministry and Counsel at 1:30.

The Queries are read and Lloyd Arnold, Bessie Ewen Ruth Smith, Kenneth and Eunice Strobel are appointed our Representatives.

As our organist will not be able to serve us after July 1, Lloyd C. Arnold is appointed to try to secure someone by Sept. We regret losing Marilyn Peloquin who has been very faithful and satisfactory. This arrangement is approved.

Letters from Fr. Council on Education from National Conference of Friends on Race Relations, Quaker Outreach from 5 years Meeting, announcement of summer Avon Conference, Lake Winnepesaukee, N. H., also have a letter

6-26-64 from Friends Committee on National Legislation. All are worthwhile reading, will be placed on hall table for those interested.

A letter from World Peace Study Mission informing us of the work of the Good-Will Ambassadors and asking our help is at hand. It will be placed on the table for individual consideration.

No Monthly Meeting will be held in July or August except at the call of Clerk, which action is approved

Kenneth and Eunice Strobel can take one person or a couple overnight (and) so their names may be added to the list presented by Ruth Smith at our Meeting in May.

No further business, we conclude.

6 present Bessie J. Ewen Assistant Clerk

The Treasurer reports that he paid a large bill for repairs to the organ which depleted the general fund. He suggests that in the future any work needed, be presented to Monthly Meeting for approval. He feels that an estimate should be made on such matters

Announcement of National High School Friends Youth Conference to be held at Guilford College August 9-14 is at hand and will be placed on the table in hall.

Several of our members attended sessions of Yearly Meeting in Providence and report they found it enjoyable and meaningful.

Our business being concluded we adjourn to the call of the Clerk.

Bessie J. Ewen, Asst. Clerk

8-28-64 At Smithfield Monthly Meeting of Friends held at Woonsocket, R.I. August 28, 1964

Minutes of last Meeting were read. No meeting was held in July.

The report of the Treasurer shows a balance of $156.26 in General Fund.

Letters from Five Years Meeting of Friends enclose lists of books with prices, announce that Audio Visual Catalog is ready on request (for which I have sent). Material to be used Labor Day Sunday which has been given our pastor, also Quaker Outreach, a pamphlet on Evangelism & Church Extension.

A letter from F.C.N.L. enclosed a "Questionaire for Candidates" asking that it be sent to a friend. More are available at 10cts. each. This is referred to the Peace Committee

Committee for Non-Violent Action sends a communication offering two positions - an office manager and a secretary in N.Y. city.

Letter from Friends General Conference offers suggestions regarding Wider Quaker Fellowship, also samples from "A Quaker Thought" that may be obtained for use in our local Meeting. We approve of requesting a copy.

Letters from U.S. Senate & House of Representatives give debates taken from Congressional Record regarding amend to the draft in 1967. As the matter has been tabled in Congress, no action is necessary.

It is suggested that a membership supper be held early in September with a report from Glenn Smith about his work in the Peace Corp, also a report from Laura & Leslie Follett on their trip this summer. We appoint Ruth Smith & Bessie Ewen, co-chairmen with Laura Follett and Robert Cool as helpers to make necessary arrangements.

8-28-64 Various suggestions to attract young people to Sat. afternoon gatherings for study or recreation, under supervision have been considered. We approve of Robert Cool exploring the situation.

The Meeting approves of having the telephone in the Meeting House connected

Kenneth Strobel expects to spend two weeks in England in October. We approve of a Travelling Minute being given him which will be ready at our next Monthly Meeting. We send greetings to meetings he may visit.

If possible to engage a substitute organist, our treasurer is authorized to recompense him or her.

No further business appearing we adjourn.

present Melita B. Fisher, clerk.

10-25-64 At Smithfield Monthly Meeting of Friends held at Woonsocket, R.I. September 25, 1964.

The Minutes of last Meeting are read

The Report of Treasurer shows a balance of $180.42 on hand in General Fund

The Sunshine Committee reported that cards had been sent Mrs. Pendleton

Announcement of a Meeting at Beacon Hill, Sept. 27 at 4 p.m. has been received. Elmer Brown, Executive Secretary of Cambridge Meeting - speaker. Subject "The Ministry of Friends in Greater Boston". All are invited.

We have a letter from our Yearly Meeting Clerk, Thomas Bodine, introducing the Young Friends Secretary of the Yearly Meeting, Edwin Hinshaw whose address is 44 Oak Crest Road, Needham, Mass. Tel. 617)449-0133

Reports and appeals from Central Committee for C.O.s + Committee on Non-Violent Action are at hand

9 ~~10~~-25-'64 From Board on Christian Education of Five Years Meeting we are asked to subscribe for the Journal of Religion (International) at ($5) five dollars. In connection with which "copies of invitation to teach" at 6-19 copies, 50cts. each. A Christian Education Week Manual is available for 35 cents. This matter is referred to the Sunday School Superintendent.

The General Epistle of New England Yearly Meeting is at hand. The Budget for 1964-65 as recommended by Yearly Meeting Finance Committee is read.

A Travelling Minute has been prepared by our pastor which we are pleased to grant Kenneth Strobel to visit Friends in England or other Meetings in the British Isles in the month of October. Our blessings go with him.

The Committee appointed to arrange a membership supper, report that on Sat. September 26, a covered dish supper for members and attenders will be held here. At that time, Glenn Smith, one of our young members who has recently returned from Iran, working with the Peace Corps, will show slides of his work + trip.

The Queries are read and we appoint Caroline Le Roy, Ruth + Lauriston Smith, Bessie Ewen, Louise Corrigan, Lloyd Arnold as our Representatives to attend Quarterly Meeting wherever it may be held the third Saturday in October with Westerly a possibility.

The telephone has been installed which will be financed by the Ladies Aid.

Robert Cool will be the speaker at Blackstone Valley Historical Society, Sept. 30 at 8 p.m. Subject - Quakers of Northern Rhode Island.

No further business, we conclude.

7 present Melita B. Fisher, clerk

10-30-'64 At Smithfield Monthly Meeting of Friends held at Woonsocket, R.I. Tenth Month 30, 1964

The Minutes of last Meeting are read

The report of the Treasurer shows a balance of $212.54 in the General Fund

No report from the Sunshine Committee.

The Representatives to Quarterly Meeting held at Westerly, R.I. report that 5 attended We were guests of R.I. Quarterly Meeting and were cordially received

The covered dish supper was an enjoyable and successful affair under the leadership of Ruth Smith and Bessie Ewen. Everyone enjoyed Glenn's talk and pictures. About 35 in attendance.

The Nominating Committee, Louise Corrigan, Donald Ross. Nellie McFisher, Bessie Ewen is reminded to bring in names of Officers and Committees at our next Meeting.

Kenneth Strobel gave a brief report of meetings visited in England. In Cheltenham Friends Mtg the children who came to Sunday School brought fruit (which is very expensive) to be sent to hospital, later they went into the Meeting for Worship. Other places visited were York, + Rochdale Meetings + Pendle Hill.

Announcement of a joint Mtg with Pleasant St + Oxford Meetings in Worcester as hostesses to A.F.S.C. We are invited to attend on Saturday, November 7. supper at 6 followed by an evening Meeting.

Leaflets from Quaker Service, Bulletin of A.F.S.C. News Notes of Central Committee for C.O's, Newsletter from F.C.N.L are at hand for anyone interested

We record the death of Ann Aldrich on Oct. 12, 1964 after a long illness.

As a matter of interest. Elton Trueblood, a former pastor here conducted the committal service of ex-President

10-30-'64 Herbert Hoover, a Quaker at West Branch, Iowa.

No further business we adjourn.

4 present

Melita B. Fisher, Clerk

12-4-'64 At Smithfield Monthly Meeting held at Woonsocket, R.I. Twelfth Month 4, postponed from Eleventh Mo. 27, 1964.

The Minutes of last Meeting are read.

The report of the Treasurer shows a balance in General Fund of $280.51.

Sunshine Com.

The Sunshine Com.
reports Get Well cards sent to Mr.
Alex, Grace McNamara, Elsie Tabor + Mr. Root.
A belated birthday card to Etta Pendleton
Sympathy cards to E. Adams + A. Wilson
Programs to Addie Paige

A letter from Friends General Conference announces a Conference at U.N. February 4 and 5, 1965. We are urged to appoint a Representative a card enclosed to be filled out by Representative - Registration fee $2- If a Representative can be secured, the Meeting will pay ($30) thirty dollars on expenses.

Letters from Core, Operation Freedom, Newsletter from Herbert Huffman are at hand, also a letter from Five Years Meeting asking us as a Meeting to enrol for a 24 hour Day of Prayer to undergird the need of Friends to give a Christian Witness to a World in Turmoil.

The Report of Nominating Committee is presented + will be acted on at our next Meeting.

Clerk Melita B. Fisher
Asst " Bessie Ewen
Treas. Kenneth Strobel
Asst. Treas. Lester Taber
Correspondent - Marion Ross.

Elders

1965 Grace McNamara, Leona Ewen, Laura Follett
1966 Bessie Ewen, Wilma Smith, Louise Corrigan
1967 Marion Ross, Lloyd Arnold, Doris Mowry

Investment Committee

Nellie Fisher, ch., Lester Taber, Lloyd C. Arnold Eleanor Mowry, Louise Taber.

Finance Committee

Donald Ross, ch., Lauriston Smith, Wilma Smith

12-4-'64 Walter Symes, Robert Mowry, Kenneth Strobel, Nellie M. Fisher, ex-officio.

Caretakers

Lauriston Smithch, Kerry Smith, Leslie Follett, Donald Ross, Louise Corrigan.

Relief Committee

Lloyd Arnold, Ruth Smith

Sunshine Committee

Louise Corriganch., Priscilla Achord, Leona Ewen. Henrietta A. Pendleton

Missionary Committee

Bessie Ewen, Mae B. Todd, Henrietta A. Pendleton, Leona Ewen, Grace McNamara

Christian Education & Stewardship

Eunice Strobel, Robert Cool, Eleanor Mowry, Marjorie Doyle, Lloyd C. Arnoldsex-officio

Youth Committee (to be chosen)

Cemeteries

Mapleville - Joseph C. Estes
Woonsocket - Carleton Aldrich, Doris Mowry, Battye Ewen
East Blackstone - Robert Mowry, Leslie Follett, Ernest Smith

Ushers

Lauriston Smith - head usher - Donald Ross ass't. Allen Brooks, Kerry Smith, Lester Taber, Kenneth Strobel

Music

Lloyd C. Arnold, Eleanor Smith, Louise Corrigan, Melita B. Fisher.

Peace and Social Concerns.

Ann de Nevers, Lloyd C. Arnold, Richard McNamara, Doris P. Mowry.

Flower Committee

Dorothy Mowry, Laura Follett, co-chairmen, Wilma Smith, Ruth Smith, Margaret McLean, Beverly Rowe

Delegate to Woonsocket Council of Church

Women - Bessie Ewen.

Nominating Committee for 1965.

Kenneth Strobelch. Donald Ross, Lauriston Smith Laura Follett

2-11-64

Statistics for Smithfield Monthly Meeting for 1964

1.	Number of Members last year, DEC 1963	[illegible]			
2.	Additions due to Omissions in last year's Report, DEC 3 1 1963				
3.	Additions by Birth,				
4.	Additions by Request, including from another Denomination,				
5.	Additions by Certificate from another Friends Meeting,	2			
6.	Total Additions,	2			
7.	Loss due to Removal of persons included by Error in last year's Report, DEC 3 1 1963				
8.	Loss by Death,	1			
9.	Loss by Discontinuance, Resignation, or Disownment,	1			
10.	Loss by Certificate to another Friends Meeting,	[illegible]			
11.	Loss by Letter to another Denomination,				
12.	Total Loss,	6			
13.	Number of Members this Year, DEC 3 1 1964	86			
14.	Net Gain,				
15.	Net Loss,	4			
16.	Number of Males,	35			
17.	Number of Females,	51			
18.	Number under 21 years of age,	8			
19.	Number of Junior Members,	7			
20.	Number of Junior Members Transferred to Active Membership,				
21.	Number of Resident Members,	58			
22.	Number of Non-Resident Members,	28			
23.	Average Attendance at Sunday Worship (estimate),	[illegible]			
24.	Average Attendance of Children at Sunday School,	[illegible]			
25.	Average Attendance of Adults at Sunday School,	6			
26.	Number of Sunday School Classes.	4			

'2-4-'64
16members
at Mo. Mtg. +
a few visitors

Preceding the Monthly Meeting, a covered dish supper was enjoyed. Following the Meeting slides of England were shown by Kenneth Strobel who recently returned from a trip. They were followed by slides shown by Leslie Follett of a trip he and Laura had taken during the summer to California (and) Oregon and other Western States. All thought it an enjoyable + profitable evening.

Meeting adjourned purposing to meet Dec. 29 as regular Monthly Meeting fell on Christmas Day.

Melita B. Fisher, clerk.

At Smithfield Monthly Meeting of Friends held at Woonsocket, R.I. December 29, postponed from December 25.

The Minutes of last Meeting are read

The Report of Treasurer shows a balance of $592.98 in General Fund

At our last Meeting the matter of Five Years Meeting Chain of Prayer was laid over to be considered at this Meeting. The Board on Evangelism and Church Extension suggest that each Monthly Meeting hold a one day prayer vigil (around the clock for 24 hours) so that a contenuous chain of prayer is in progress from Jan. 1 to Easter Sunday, April 18. A form is on hand to be returned to Board on Evangelism giving the date chosen. This is to undergird the Need of Friends to Give a Christian Witness to a World in Turmoil. We suggest that Ministry and Counsel take charge of this.

Thus far, no one has been appointed to attend the Eighth Annual Conference at U.N. February 4 + 5. No action taken.

After our last Monthly Meeting a letter from N.E. Committee for Non Violent Action was received asking us to join in a Peace Vigil in Providence. 15000 leaflets were given out and they ask us for help to print more. We feel that the F.C.N.L. should have support instead

An appealing talk by Colin Bell given at a

12-29-'64 Meeting of A. F. S. C. in October with reports from two secretaries make interesting reading and should stir us to some action. These reports will be placed on table

An appeal from the Committee for Non-Violent Action is at hand. We are each asked to give one dollar to help carry on the work. On December 19 an appeal was made to President Johnson to declare an immediate cease fire in South Vietnam and to withdraw all U. S. troops from there. We feel this should be announced in Morning Meeting for individual contributions

A letter from Central Committee for C. O's inform us that they have not heard from us for more than 2 years. They'll gladly accept donations. We recommend that ten dollars ($10) be donated to this Committee

The Report of Nominating Committee was presented at our last Monthly Meeting. The list of officers and Committees is unanimously approved.

The Annual Report of Sunshine Committee is as follows:

7	Birthday cards
8	Get Well "
5	Sympathy "
7	Valentine "
7	Easter "
7	Annual Bulletins
18	programs

The above were cards, bulletins, and programs sent out. Eleven books of stamps were purchased for the ladies of the Church. These stamps were added to the writing paper purchased by the Home Department. Expense from July through December $12.70

Respectfully submitted - Louise Corrigan, Chairman of Sunshine Committee.

The name of Laura Follett ~~(was)~~ is added to the Nominating Committee for 1965.

12-29-'64 Two letters from Moses Brown School will be placed on table in hall.

The light switches in the upstairs hall have been placed low enough to reach easily, by Andrew Corrigan. The clerk is directed to write a note of thanks for this work.

Kenneth Strobel has received a check for $600 from sale of small organ. We approve of this being returned to Invested Funds.

3 present

No further business, we adjourn

Bessie F. Ewen Asst. Clerk

2-5-65 At Smithfield Monthly Meeting of Friends held at Woonsocket, R.I. Second Month 5, postponed from First Month 29 on account of snow.

The Minutes of last Meeting are read.

The report of Treasurer shows that all bills are paid with a balance of $690.71 in treasury.

At this time a committee to file the statistical report is appointed. The clerk and assistant are named for this duty.

Eugene Coffin, Ch. of Evangelistic Committee of Five Years Meeting is expected to be in this vicinity in early spring. Louis Marstaller has suggested that Smithfield Monthly Meeting act as hosts, inviting Providence and Worcester Meetings. Plans will be made when more details are available.

March 19 to 21 a Working Conference is to be held at Pendle Hill. It is hoped that many may attend. Registration must be in by March 16.

A National Conference is to be held at Richmond, Indiana June 18-21. We are asked to send a Representative and a contribution toward expenses. The matter is laid over to a later meeting.

Many informative papers and pamphlets on table or

2-5-65 bulletin in hall may be taken by anyone interested.

A letter from the "Committee of 100" tells the plight of negroes in Selma, Alabama who are denied the right to vote. Legal action is being taken. We approve of donating $25 to help with legal assistance.

The caretakers are requested to see that one of their committee is "responsible" for turning down the heat to about 60°. This request is made because of heat being left on from Sunday to Thursday last week.

The Annual Report of Investment Committee is as follows for 1964.

Total value of stocks	$9,792.12
" " " bonds	5,455.25
" " " Bank Accounts	7,779.74
	$23,027.11
Less total principal + interest held in trust	14,638.38
	8,388.73

Total funds held in trust	$13,140.42
" interest " " "	1,497.96
	14,638.38

Respectfully submitted
(Signed) Nellie M. Fisher, for Committee.

Annual Report of Treasurer Yr. ending 12-31-1964.

Balance on hand General Fund 12-31-63	$422.39
" " Peace + Social Concerns	10.00
	$432.39

Receipts:

Collections - envelopes	$2495.87
" United Budget	405.77
Invested Funds	741.15
Rent - parsonage	600.00
Insurance rebate	22.50
Ladies Aid	100.00
Sale of Organ	600.00
Thanksgiving Offering	18.00

2-5-'65 Forwarded

Sale of Stock Share		$15.68
Miscellaneous		33.43
Total receipts 1964		5032.40
		$5464.79

Expenses		
Pastor's Salary	$1645.00	
Ministerial Supply	160.00	
Organist salary	162.00	
Janitor's "	240.00	
City of Woonsocket - water Mtg. & Pars.	40.63	
Blackstone Valley & Electric - Electricity	39.95	
N. E. Coal Company - Fuel	358.23	
Relief Committee	192.50	
Office Supplies	25.58	
Safe deposit box rental	5.50	
R. P. Smith Insurance Agency	277.86	
Organ repairs	109.85	
John Taylor, United Budget	705.37	
Sunshine Committee	17.80	
Woon Inst. for Savings - Invested funds	600.00	
Central Committee for C.O.s	10.00	
Yokefellow's	6.00	
Nat. Com. of Legislation - Peace & Soc Concerns	9.00	
Repairs - Roof on Mtg. H. Sink in parsonage	135.16	
Miscellaneous	26.07	
Total Expense 1964		$4766.50
Balance 12-31-64		698.29

Balance on hand General Fund, 12-31-64	$690.79
" " Relief Committee	7.50
	$698.29

Signed Kenneth M. Strobel, Treasurer

5 present

The Relief Committee is commended for diplomatic work. Plans are under way for a discussion group in early spring.

Greetings from the Monthly Meeting will be sent Joseph C. Estes and Mr Ernest Aker.

Our business concluded we adjourn.

Melita B. Fisher, clerk

2-26-65 At Smithfield Monthly Meeting of Friends held at Woonsocket, R.I., Second Month 26, 1965.

The Minutes of last Meeting are read

The Report of the Treasurer shows a balance of $623.99 on hand in General Fund

A letter from the Clerk of Crawshawbooth Meeting, Lancs, England Harry Hargraves, Clerk has been read expressing their pleasure for the visit of Kenneth Strobel. His Minute was read to the Meeting on two successive Sundays and to their Monthly Meeting

Prices and schedules of China Camp with a Young Friends News letter are at hand and will be placed on table in hall.

A letter from the Chairman of Christian Education Committee tells of plans for Vacation Church Schools in summer and urges each Monthly Meeting to consider the possibility here. The above mentioned Committee would be able to pay part of expense.

A National Friends Conference on Race Relations is to be held at Richmond, Ind June 18-21. It is hoped that every N. E. Meeting will send a Representative. John Kellam is convenor for N. E. delegation and will help co-ordinate transportation.

The Yearly Meeting Peace Committee with A.F.S.C. is sponsoring a Public Witness for Peace on Good Friday, April 16 from 11:30 a.m. to 4 p.m at Boston. We are asked to appoint at least one Overseer. This will be considered later

The Statistical Report has been read, a copy of which will be sent to Quarterly Meeting.

From the Committee for Non-Violent Action is a bulletin with an appeal to the conscience of America for Peace with Honor in Viet Nam.

2-26-'65 F.C.N.L announces a message from Pres. Lyndon Johnson regarding Immigration Reform. A booklet "Forgotten Issues - Our Immigration Policy" to help interpret the facts, prepared by A.F.S.C. is enclosed. We suggest that Robert Cool prepare a letter to be sent our Senators and Representatives after the matter has been presented to our members at a Morning Meeting.

A letter from Russell Brooks, a former pastor, expressing appreciation to Smithfield Meeting Friends for messages and help in his recent illness has been read. We feel that it should be read in the Meeting for Worship.

The matter of Bingo for cash prizes while illegal is becoming increasingly popular. We approve of protesting legislation that would make it legal. Robert Cool will write our local newspaper our stand on the matter.

Our business being accomplished we conclude.
Melita B. Fisher, clerk

3-26-1965 At Smithfield Monthly Meeting of Friends held at Woonsocket, R.I. March 26, 1965.
The Minutes of last Meeting are read
The report of the Treasurer shows a balance of $556.22 in General Fund.

A list of Mosher Fund books, allowing each Monthly Meeting three books, is available. They must be chosen at once.

A letter from Committee for Non Violent Action encloses a Declaration of Conscience against the war in Viet Nam. It is hoped we will sign. The need for money is acute. Quotations from an article by Gilbert F. White, Ch. of U.N. Panel on Integrated River Development & also Ch. of Board of Directors of A.F.S.C. were read by Lloyd C. Arnold. Mr White through the A.F.S.C. sent a letter to Pres. Johnson suggesting extensive land and water development in the basin of Lower Mekong River. He states that for seven years Cambodia, Laos, Thailand

3-26-65 So. Vietnam having been working without disagreement and little publicity on a huge development plan in Lower Mekong basin. In a recent issue of Providence Journal (Mar. 26) a statement by Pres. Johnson says that American participation in vast regional development of Mekong River area is planned. Dare we hope that Gilbert White's letter has any influence on this decision?

The following are appointed as our Representatives to attend Quarterly Meeting in Worcester, Mass. April 17 - Lloyd C. Arnold, Bessie J. Ewer; Ruth + Lauriston Smith, Eunice and Kenneth Strobel, Cynthia Mowry.

The Meeting scheduled for April 29 with Eugene Coffin as speaker will be in charge of Peace and Social Concern Committee of our Meeting.

A letter from Beacon Hill gives an account of work done there + announces a Meeting for Worship at Cathedral of Pines August 1st under their direction.

The Report of the Spiritual Condition of the Meeting has been read, a copy of which will be sent to the Meeting of Ministry and Counsel and to our Quarterly Meeting.

Announcement of a seminar to be held at the Student Union, University of Mass. at Amherst on March 28 is made. The program will be placed on table in hall.

The National Conference of Friends on Race Relations to be held in Richmond, Ind. June 18-21 again has our attention. It is hoped that Representatives may be able to attend and that a contribution may be made. Further action at our next Meeting

The Religious Society of Friends Somerset Hills Mo. Meeting at Bernardsville, N. J. sends a copy of a letter sent Pres. Johnson on his State of the Union Message. They urge the Pres. to appoint a Presidential Population Study Committee to assess needs and resources and to make recommendations.

3-26-'65 The matter of handling the Church mail has our attention. While Kerry Smith is willing to have it left in his box, unless specific directions are given the carrier he is unwilling to do this. The Clerk is directed to write the Postmaster asking him, (if) to authorize the carrier to leave mail addressed to Smithfield Monthly Meeting in the box belonging to Kerry Smith, if this is feasible.

No further business appearing we conclude.
Melita B. Fisher, clerk

4-30-'65 At Smithfield Monthly Meeting of Friends held at Woonsocket, R.I. April 30, 1965.

In the absence of the Clerk, Bessie Ewen, Asst. Clerk was in charge of the Meeting.

The Minutes of last Meeting are read.

The report of the Treasurer shows a balance of $474.77 in General Fund, with all current bills paid.

At our last meeting the matter of sending a Representative to the National Conference in Richmond, Ind. June 18-21 was held over for action at this Meeting. A contribution toward expenses of Conference would be welcomed. It is suggested that Doris Mowry or Ann de Nevers be asked if either can attend.

From the Five Years Meeting, pamphlets of the new Quaker Ambassador program have been received. High School graduates 17 years of age should be interested. As the application had to be in by April 15, no action can be taken but it is a wonderful opportunity for service. Pamphlets will be placed in hall.

A Conference to be held in Washington, D.C. encourages Friends to attend to study Sino-American relations. Date 29 & 30-7

Representatives to Quarterly Meeting report that all but two attended.

On table in hall are communications from N. Y. Yearly Meeting regarding Friends World College, N.E. Young Friends

4-30-'65 Newsletter, Pacific Ackworth Friends School, National Committee on United States and Canada, April F.C.N.L. Newsletter, Lincoln School brochure.

The Treasurer reports he has a bill of $135.00 for repairs to water pipes in the parsonage. He is authorized to pay this bill.

Lloyd Arnold feels that we should be very pleased with the prompt and courteous action by R.P. Smith & Son on our recent accident with the oil burner.

A notice from the Insurance Company suggests increasing coverage on Church building and parsonage based on increased costs since 1960. It is unanimously approved.

Present Coverage		Increased Coverage	
Church building	$34,100	Church building	$37,000
Parsonage	10,000	Parsonage	11,000

5 present

Our business being accomplished we adjourn.

Bessie F. Ewen, Asst. Clerk.

5-28-'65 At Smithfield Monthly Meeting of Friends held at Woonsocket, R.I., May 28, 1965.

The Minutes of last Meeting are read.

The report of the Treasurer shows a balance of $601.96 in General Fund.

We regret to report that Louise Corrigan, Chairman of Sunshine Committee is in Woonsocket Hospital, unable to serve. It is suggested that Leona Ewen on the Committee, serve in her place. Greetings from the Meeting will be sent to her.

Lloyd Arnold, Clerk of Ministry and Counsel has conferred with Robert Cool about remaining with us for the coming year. He is to receive a month's vacation with pay. He is willing to stay under circumstances as stated last year.

5-28-65 A letter from Mrs. Henry Lee enclosing ten dollars ($10) toward beautifying the old cemetery has been received. The clerk is instructed to express our appreciation for the gift. The letter will be given to the Cemetery Committee, Carleton Aldrich, Battye Ewen, Doris P. Mowry.

According to the records in Tenth Month '63, the Caretakers were asked to get more bids on inspection of wiring. The only bid was from Valois Electric Supply Co. As no action was taken, the new Committee is requested to get bids on wiring and report at our next Meeting.

Since we have had two episodes with our furnace exploding the N.E. Coal Company has made a thorough inspection, installed a stack relay and a solenoid valve. We approve of requesting $35 from Insurance Co. to clean smoke and soot which is confined chiefly to the boiler room.

An invitation to Lincoln School graduation has been read.

The names of Helen + Ruth Carter, Carol and Susan Wicks, Cynthia Mowry, Jeffrey + Richard Keene all members of our Sunday School, are presented as being interested in attending Yearly Meeting or China Camp. In addition to help from Equalization Fund, a request for $5 is made. We approve of these named being granted help.

As is our custom, beginning our Worship at 10 o'clock instead of 11 on June 20th to Sept. 12 will be observed. It seems wise to close the Meetings for Worship during the month of August

The parsonage is to be unoccupied soon and there has been much discussion about re-letting it. It is understood by some of our members that Grace McNamara and Richard are desirous of renting it. When it is available, announcement will be made in the Morning Meeting and those interested should make application to the Monthly Meeting.

Announcement of a Meeting at So. Uxbridge on June 13 is made.

5-28-'65 We approve of paying Morin's bill as we consider the work of cleaning church after furnace explosion most satisfactory.

A letter from Thomas Bodine, Clerk of N. E. Yearly Meeting suggests that we find ways of expressing our Peace Testimony in this Vietnam crisis - a silent vigil is one suggestion. This letter will be read at our morning Meeting for Worship.

A letter to Young Friends from Ed Hinshaw pertaining to Yearly Meeting will be given to Cynthia Mowry who expects to attend.

A letter with brochures from Social Concerns Committee of Yearly Meeting is referred to our local Committee for distribution of brochures.

Announcement and program of Avon Institute is on table in hall, a letter from Lincoln Park regarding picnic area; a letter from Women's International League for Peace and Freedom, a letter from A. F. S. C. regarding our Immigration Policy, a Quaker Service Bulletin, May Newsletter from F. C. N. L., also a letter from Central Committee for C. O's.

A letter from Eliz. Jones, Chairman of Five Years Meeting Committee from New England urges us to help Jamaica Mission build a much needed building. This is a request to individuals.

7 present

No further business, we adjourn.
Melita B. Fisher, clerk

6-29-'65 At Smithfield Monthly Meeting of Friends held at Woonsocket, R. I. June 29, 1965 - a postponed Meeting from June 25.

The Report of Treasurer shows a balance of $530.65 in General Fund.

We have a letter from Grace McNamara making application for rent of parsonage when it is vacant, paying the same rent as is paid now. As stated at our last Meeting, when available announcement will be given in the Morning Meeting when those interested should make application to the Monthly

6-29-65 Meeting. The letter received will be placed on file.

The matter of cleaning up the old cemetery, discussed at our last Meeting has been referred to the Cemetery Committee. In talking to the Chairman I learned that he asked people to refrain from throwing rubbish in Cemetery. He had also had some conversation with the Supt. of Union Cemetery & thinks it might be possible to get help there in cleaning up the old cemetery, for reasonable compensation

Bulletin for Committee for Non Violent Action will be placed on hall table.

Reference was made to the "Country Quaker" by Robert Cool. People have enjoyed it.

As is our custom no Monthly Meeting will be held in July or August except at the call of the Clerk. This action is approved.

Aug. 6 is the anniversary of the bombing of Hiro Shima. We are asked to have our Churches open for meditation and prayer.

The girls who attended Yearly Meeting have been asked to give a report in the Morning Meeting, July 11.

The following Representatives are appointed to attend Quarterly Meeting to be held at So. Uxbridge, July 17, 1965 - Marion Ross, Grace and Richard McNamara, Laura & Leslie Follett.

No further business appearing we conclude.

4 present

Melita B. Fisher, Clerk

July 18, 65 A special meeting was held July 18 to consider the renovation of parsonage. Several applications for renting have been received but none will be accepted until renovations are complete.

On Sept. 19 another meeting was held to receive a report on progress of renovations. All rooms except kitchen + one bedroom have been papered and painted. A leak in the roofing is yet to be made, insulation of attic floor floors put in condition. The cost of repairing cabinet and counter tops was considered too high. The caretakers were asked to get further information to present to the regular Monthly Meeting 10/24. If necessary, money from Invested Funds will be used to defray expenses.

9-24-'65 At Smithfield Monthly Meeting of Friends held at Woonsocket, R. I. 9-24-'65

Minutes of last Meeting are read

Report of Treasurer shows a balance of $73.26 on hand with all current bills paid

Minutes of meetings held July 18 and September 19 are read

3 Representatives attended Quarterly Meeting in Uxbridge

10 present The Garden Club of No. Smithfield has requested the use of the church for four Tuesdays in Oct. at 11 a. m. for lectures on flower arrangement. They also request Nov. 13 for a regular meeting. We approve of granting this request.

As Quarterly Meeting occurs here Oct. 16, the Queries are read and we appoint Ann de Nevers, Eunice Strobel, Louise Taber, Kenneth Strobel, Lloyd Arnold. Laura Follett + Ruth Smith were appointed co-chairmen to prepare a dessert lunch, adding helpers if needed

Letters are at hand from Committee for Non Violent Action, Friends Committee on National Legislation, Copy of Outlook from Executive Secretary of Board on Evangelism and Chairman Christian Education and copies of News Letter from F. C. N. L.

9-24-'65 A letter from Sylvia S. Perry, Chairman New England Yearly Meeting Christian Education Committee wishes to give help and suggestions for Sunday School work. Books and pamphlets are available for the asking. The letter is referred to our S. S Supt., Lloyd C Arnold

The General Epistle of N. E. Yearly Meeting signed by Clerks Thomas R. Bodine and Miriam E. Jones are at hand but will not be read as they are in the printed Minutes

A letter from Ernest Weed is read. Enclosed is an announcement of a regional meeting Sept. 25 in Framingham, also announcement of a lecture by Alfred Hassler, Oct. 3. 7 p.m. at Beacon Hill.

The business concerning parsonage is now before us. A bill of $305 is presented + payment is authorized. An estimate of unfinished work is desired. Funds may be drawn as needed. An itemized acct. of $305 is desired.

The Committee is authorized to dispose of furniture in basement of parsonage.

After various opinions were given, rent was set at $70 a month, tenants to supply their own heat and lights. We also think that rental should be limited to four in a family. Shirley and ~~Ronald~~ Roland Renaud have first choice of renting parsonage and are asked to let us know their decision. The replacing of missing shingles + repairing of lattice work + any unfinished work is left to the Caretakers.

Shirley + ~~Ronald~~ Roland Renaud desire the parsonage, hoping to take occupancy Oct. 15, paying weekly if agreeable to the Meeting. The Clerk will notify other applicants of our decision.

No further business we adjourn

Melita B. Fisher, Clerk

10/29-'65 At Smithfield Monthly Meeting of Friends held at Woonsocket, R.I. 10/29/65.

In the absence of the Clerk, Bessie Ewen, Asst. Clerk conducted the business.

The Minutes of last Meeting are read.

The Report of the Treasurer shows a balance of $19.07 on hand with all current bills paid.

No report from the Sunshine Committee.

The Caretakers reported that work at parsonage has been finished and $114 additional paid Mr Southwick. Insulation has been installed, bill not yet received.

A letter from Ernest Weed, Ch. of Yearly Meeting Finance Committee informs us that Yearly Meeting membership divided into total budget figure of $31,514 shows that $9.69 is the individual responsibility. As some members may be unable to meet this, $12 for each member should be considered our share.

A letter from Stanley L. Aldrich, Ch. of China Camp Committee gives the needs of the Camp and would appreciate being remembered in our budget. This letter will be referred to the Finance Committee.

In the October N. E. Friend we are asked to consider the proposal of the Executive Council regarding a change in the Yearly Meeting Sessions - add a day to the sessions, gathering Monday evening for first session. Our views are to be expressed to Executive Council or Permanent Board between their meetings. Announcement of a Conference of N.E. Friends on Race Relations will be held April 29 to May 1, 1966 at Woolman Hill. This should be mentioned at Morning Meeting, also posted on bulletin board.

A notice from N. E. Yearly Meeting Christian Education Library Committee in charge of Jane Cook gives a list of books helpful for First Day programs. The books may be kept four weeks unless there is an unusually heavy demand for them. Monthly Meetings are urged to take advantage of this service. The matter will be turned over ~~to~~ to the local Christian Educ. Com.

10-29-65 Since the Central office of Friends United Meeting (formerly called Five Years Meeting) has combined Stewardship and Finance Committees, it seems wise to suggest to the Nominating Committee that our Monthly Meeting do the same, leaving the Christian Education as a separate Committee. If this Meeting approves this change, the Nominating Committee will be informed thereof. This is approved.

The Nominating Committee is reminded to bring in names of Officers and Committees at our next ~~Members~~ Meeting. Members of Nominating Committee are Kenneth Strobel, Chairman, Donald Ross, Lauriston Smith, Laura Follett.

A letter from Central Offices Operating Council tells of the needs of Budget of Friends United Meeting. They ask that Sunday, Nov 21 be designated as Friends United Meeting Sunday when a special offering will be taken. A suggestion sheet with a sample of offering envelopes is enclosed. If this date conflicts with other plans Nov. 14 or Dec. 5 may do. We approve of setting aside Nov. 21 for this special collection. The Clerk is authorized to send for envelopes.

A concern from Etta Pendleton regarding exclusive use of All American Hymnal is brought to our attention. The feeling of the Meeting is that the Pilgrim Hymnal should be used on some occasions as it is best for Sunday School as the All American doesn't contain the material needed. We expect to use the latter more often.

We appreciate the services of our young ushers, Richard and Jeffry Keene at Morning Meeting. The feeling is that the regular ushers should take the offering once a month. Perhaps a list of ushers for each month could be posted on the bulletin board, starting with the New Year.

Our business being accomplished, we conclude

Dessie F. Owen, Asst. Clerk.

11/26/'65

At Smithfield Monthly Meeting of Friends held at Woonsocket Dec. 3, being a postponed Meeting of Nov. 26 on account of Thanksgiving holidays

The Minutes of last Meeting are read

The report of the Treasurer shows a balance of $313.65 in General Fund.

A Questionnaire from Friends Coordinating Committee on Peace asking for specific information regarding Peace Testimony in our Meeting has been read. An answer is requested by Jan. 31, 1966. We approve of this matter being handled by our Peace and Social Committee. Dates of Conference to be held in Washington are enclosed

A letter from Acting Chairman of Finance Committee is concerned because adequate contributions do not cover the increased budget. Monthly Meetings are asked to take appropriate action on the matter. The matter is referred to the Finance Committee.

At Woolman Hill Friends Center, a mid winter Conference will be held Dec. 28-30. A panel for discussion of the moral dilemma and conflicting standards will open the meeting. The Young Friends Newsletter is enclosed

A belated Thanksgiving Proclamation with a picture of the Governor and his family is at hand and will be placed on bulletin board

Eunice Strobel wishes to thank the Monthly Meeting for cards received while in the hospital.

A (letter) suggestion from this Meeting regarding Yearly Meeting Session would be a shortening of work shop hour to allow more time for Concerns and Items of business.

It is suggested that Committees be asked to present reports - Annual reports at our Dec. Meeting.

The Nominating Committee presents the names of officers and committees to serve for the next year. They

11/26/65 will be acted on at our next meeting. As there are vacancies to be filled, the Nominating Committee is continued.

Our next Monthly Meeting will be held on Thursday, ~~Nov.~~ Dec. 30th.

6 present Our business being accomplished we conclude.

Melita B. Fisher, clerk.

Dec. 13 Monthly Meeting held a special session on Sunday, December 13 to sanction the sending of a questionarre concerning our stand on Peace to all our members, in compliance with a Coordinating Committee of United Friends Peace and Social Concerns Committee. Our local Committee have considered the matter and with the approval of the Monthly Meeting will go ahead with the ~~matter,~~ suggestions upholding the work of the U.N. as well.

12/30/'65 At Smithfield Monthly Meeting of Friends held at Woonsocket, R. I. Dec. 30, 1965.

The Minutes of last Meeting are read.

The Report of Treasurer shows a balance of $272.58 in General Fund.

Letters from Committee for Non-Violent Action and from Committee of 100 are on hand, also Newsletters from A. F. S. C. and F. C. of N. L.

A letter from Martin Luther King asks for contributions of money and affirmations of confidence. This will be considered by the Peace + Social Concerns Committee.

A letter from A. F. S. C. gives date of Seminars to be held during Jan., Feb., + March.

Lauriston Smith thanked the Meeting for cards sent him while in hospital, Lloyd Arnold thanked the Meeting for his Christmas gift, a letter from Etta Pendleton thanked the Sunshine Committee of the Meeting for gift at Christmas. Melita B. Fisher thanked the above Committee mentioned, verbally

12-30-65 Reports from various Committees were received:

Music Com. Lloyd Arnold ch. reported that we were fortunate during the first half of year to have Chester Swiathowski as organist, playing for hymns, prelude and meditation, at intervals accompanying Lloyd Arnold for violin or viola solos. On the anniversary of Arthur Pendleton's death Lois (Arnold) Ester sang appropriate solos accompanied by Alice Lovell. On one occasion, a group from our former choir sang a selection. In two occasions a young group of Juniors and Intermediates of the S. S. sang familiar hymns.

When our regular Meetings resumed in the fall, Chester could no longer be with us, much to our regret, as he was entering college in Hartford to further his musical career. The last two Sundays of the year he visited the meeting and played, assisted one Sunday by Lloyd Arnold with a violin solo. Until we are able to obtain a permanent organist, Melita Fisher has been playing hymns, except for one Sunday when Mrs. Ernest Smith substituted acceptably. The Committee feels that an effort should be made to get our choir together again.

Sunshine
(Relief) Com. Louise Corrigan, ch. reports that during the year 4 birthday cards, 2 baby congratulations, 9 Get Well cards, 2 Sympathy cards and 12 Christmas cards were sent. Christmas gifts purchased by Louise Faber (and) who helped distribute to shut-ins, went to twelve of our members or attenders, a basket was sent to one family

Christian Education - Eunice Strobel, ch. reports that attempts were made to hold a Vacation Bible School during the summer but plans did not materialize. Attempts will be made another year. Three Committee meetings were held and various conferences with individual members. One Committee member has become a S. S. teacher as a result of her commitment to Christian Education.

Peace and Social Concerns - Ann de Nevers, ch. reports that Senator Bell has been asked to speak at a future Meeting, but up to now, no reply has been received.

Missionary - Bessie Ewen, ch. This report includes Monthly Meeting, Bible School and Ladies Aid. Mo. Meeting sent

2-30-65 Committee of 100 - $25.00 + (Nat. Com. Legislation, $9.00 Peace + Social Concerns Committee, Bible School collected $9.30 for Unicef + $7.25 in Buffalo nickels for work among the Indians - Lil Aid - United Fund $10, 7 sewing kits, yarn + cloth remnants to United Church Women
Miss. money to Yrly Meeting $78.25

Caretakers - Lauriston Smith, ch. Cleaning of Meeting House caused by furnace backfire (covered by insurance) $1170
Cleaning of drapes in Auditorium (covered by insurance) 18.00
Repairs to lawn mower and setting two window panes 5.00
Parsonage renovation + repairs by E. Southwick
Insulation in parsonage attic (Grossman 56.55

No report from Flower Committee but almost every week flowers are on hand so the Committee has been faithful.

A concern for the small attendance at our Meetings for Worship is expressed and it is suggested that Ministry and Counsel consider the situation and make suggestions as to a remedy.

The names of Officers and Committees presented at our last Meeting are approved with vacancies filled as suggested Officers and Committees for 1966 are as follows:
Clerk - Melita B. Fisher
Asst. Clerk - Bessie F. Ewen
Treasurer - Kenneth Strobel
Asst Treasurer - Lester R. Taber

Elders to serve through 1968

Ruth Smith (Mrs. Lauriston) Leona Ewen, Leslie Follett, Melita B. Fisher.

Committees

Investment - Nellie M. Fisher, Chairman - Lester R. Taber, Lloyd Arnold, Louise Taber

Finance + Stewardship - Donald Ross, chairman, Lauriston Smith, Wilma Smith, Louise Corrigan, Leslie Follett Kenneth Strobel, Nellie Fisher, Ex-officio.

Relief - Ruth Smith (Mrs. Lauriston), Lloyd Arnold

Caretakers - Marion Ross, chairman, Lauriston Smith, Kenneth Smith, Leslie Follett, Laura Follett.

12-30-65 Christian Education - Eunice Strobel, chairman; Eleanor Mowry, Marjorie Doyle, Robert Cool, Lloyd Arnold-Ex-offici

Peace and Social Concerns - Ann de Nevers; chairman, Lloyd C. Arnold, Robert Cool

Nominating - Bessie Ewen; chairman; Margaret Mc Lean; Wilma Smith

Music - Lloyd C. Arnold, chairman, Louise Taber, Louise Corrigan; Melita B. Fisher.

Sunshine - Louise Corrigan; chairman, Priscilla Acord, Leona Ewen, Henrietta Pendleton

Missionary - Bessie Ewen; chairman, Mae B. Todd, Henrietta A. Pendleton, Leona Ewen, Grace Mc Namara.

Flower - Dorothy Mowry, Laura Follett, co-chairmen; Wilma Smith, Ruth Smith (Mrs. Lauriston) Margaret MacLean, Marion Ross.

Cemeteries - Mapleville - Joseph C. Estes
Woonsocket - Carlton Aldrich, Battye Ewen
East Blackstone - Ernest Smith, Leslie Follett, Robert Mowry.

Ushers - Donald Ross, head usher, Lester Taber - ass't head usher, Allen Brooks, Kerry Smith, Lauriston Smith, Kenneth Strobel.

Junior Ushers - Richard Keene, Jeffrey Keene, Douglas Keene, Jeffrey Thibeault.

Nominating Committee in 1965
Kenneth Strobel, Chairman
Laura Follett
Lauriston Smith
Donald Ross.

Our business being accomplished we conclude.

Melita B. Fisher, clerk

1-28-66 At Smithfield Monthly Meeting of Friends held at Woonsocket, R.I. January 28, 1966.

The Meeting followed a covered dish supper so it was a brief session, leaving time for the speaker James Mowry from the A.F.S.C. Russell Johnson, Peace Education Sec. of A.F.S.C. was unable to be with us, therefore a substitute.

The report of the Spiritual Condition of the Meeting was read, a copy of which will be held here, one sent to Quarterly Meeting for the records.

Letters from United Meeting announces a Friends Conference and Vigil in Washington, D.C. Feb. 11-14, one from Cincinnati concerning County Work Shops and Camps asks for workers and money. The latter will be referred to the Peace and Social Concern Committee.

Lloyd Arnold gave a report on the Questionaire on Peace Testimony sent to the members of the Meeting. Out of 53 letters sent out, replies from 31 were rec'd. Question asked if peace literature available at Meeting House had been read, 19 had done so. 3 members had served in armed services, would serve again various answers were given for other questions, while 18 stated that they were open-minded, interested, inquiring in the matter 13 were sympathetic, generally supporting the traditional Quaker testimony as they understood it. The report will be studied by the Peace Committee with further comments at our next meeting.

The Treasurer's Monthly & Annual Reports, the Report of Invested Fund Committees were held over for our next Meeting.

There were 17 people in attendance. Preceding the speaker, Robert Cool read a poem "The Road to Peace" by Lester R. Taber. The speaker gave us some of the history of reasons why we are involved in Viet Nam. N.Y. Times in an editorial Jan 23 feels that the crucial point of war is now. Great Britain & United States hope for a Geneva Council. The refugees need our help. China's power seems to be weakened somewhat.

Melita B. Fisher, clerk

2-27-66 The regular Monthly Meeting of was not held on account of a heavy snow storm. On the Sun. following at the close of Meeting for Worship a report of further findings of Peace committee was presented to the members in attendance which was approved with a few suggested corrections

3-25-66 The regular Smithfield Monthly Meeting of Friends was held March 25, 1966 at Woonsocket, R.I.

The Minutes of last Meeting are read.

The Report of Treasurer shows a balance of $1,159 on hand in General Fund

The Annual Report of Treasurer has been read and approved a it will be recorded

Year Ending December 31, 1965

Balance on hand General Funds 12-31-64		$690.79
" " " Relief		7.50
Receipts—Collections-envelopes	$2237.79	
" United Budget	417.00	
Rent from parsonage	425.00	
Donation - Ladies Aid Society	100.00	
R. P. Smith - Insurance claims	1215.00	
Invested Funds	884.05	
Withdrawn from Invested Funds	414.00	
Garden Club of No. Smithfield	10.00	
Donation for Youth Worker	10.00	
Special Collection - Fr. United Meeting	20.00	
Miscellaneous	1.00	
Total Receipts 1965		$5739.44
		$6437.73

Expenses

Pastors salary	$645.00
Ministerial supply	80.00
Janitors salary	240.00
Organist salary	210.00
N. E. Coal Company fuel	487.39
Blackstone Valley - electric	43.43
City of Woonsocket - water	11.24
Relief Committee	195.25
John Tayer United Budget	717.50

			Receipts
3-25-'66	Friends Book + Supply House - envelopes 64 + 65	$31.95	$6437.73
	Stock purchases	42.20	
	Meeting House Cleanup (Furnace flare back)	1188.00	
	R. P. Smith Insurance	281.54	
	Repairs to parsonage	616.85	
	R I Hospital Trust (Safe Deposit Rental)	5.52	
	Committee of 100	25.00	
	Office Supplies + Mimeograph repair	52.62	
	China Camp + Yearly Meeting Expense	35.00	
	R. I. State Medicare tax	5.36	
	Youth Worker	10.00	
	Special Collection U. F. M.	20.00	
	Christmas gifts for shut-ins	9.84	
	Lally's Stationery - New Record Book	1.75	
	Janitor's Supplies	1.43	
	Total Expenses 1965		$5966.34
	Balance on hand 12-31-65		$471.39

Balance on hand General Fund 12-31-65	$344.24
" " " Parsonage "	127.15
	$471.39

Signed by Kenneth Strobel, Treasurer

The Report of Peace and Social Concerns Committee has been read + approved. We feel that the suggestion of holding group meetings is desirable. It is suggested that this Committee in Cooperation with the pastor and Meeting of Ministry and Council be invited to talk the matter over. R Cool had made helpful suggestions + it is hoped that others may be given. From this Meeting we hope a group of interested people may join together to stimulate more interest in our Morning Worship services.

This report seems to me worth recording. It follows
Following the last monthly meeting, and the event of a special speaker, Jim Mowry from the A.F.S.C. we have had two meetings on Feb. 12 and Feb. [illegible]. These meetings have been largely concerned with devising a statement regarding Peace which will reflect the feeling of our entire membership. The Jan. 28th speaker discussed the U.S. involvement in Viet Nam and the possibility of universal membership within the U.N. A letter of thanks has been mailed to Jim Mowry expressing

3-25-66 the thought that the effort he made to come to us will carry forward from week to week as we study what our individual roles should be in terms of the present conflict.

The replies from the questionaires sent out to our membership regarding individual attitudes in relation to the Friends Peace Testimony have been tabulated. From this return the following statement for the Friends Coordinating Committee on Peace has been devised for the approval of the Monthly Meeting

I. The Committee urges members of the meeting to write letters to our congressmen and to our president regarding issues of concern to us as Friends. We strongly believe that each letter carries real weight, we see this work as an individual responsibility if the Quaker ideal is to live on.

II The committee has considered the appeal for funds from the Miami (O) Indiana Meeting of Friends for their workshops in the deep South training negro leaders in the Christian non-violent approach to social problems. Buildings have been constructed in a number of localities for these workshops and these buildings are used not only for Friends workshops but for the work of The Federal State Poverty Programs such as the National Youth Corps.

We approve of the project; to recommend a contribution from the meeting is difficult since we do not know what funds are available. We recommend that an amount be forwarded to this project either from the meeting or on an individual basis.

We further respectfully recommend that a list of regular contributions from this meeting be devised so that a priority list can be worked out for the many requests that reach us yearly.

IV The individual members of this committee including Marjorie Hope who sat in on our Feb. 9 meeting as an observer, have felt that our discussions together as a committee have had meaning to us individuals. We have felt the pull of deeper committment to principles which are stated and unstated, formulated and unformulated.

We would like to share this experience of our group

3-25-66 with the larger membership. It is our suggestion that regular group meetings be held - perhaps at various homes. We see these meetings to be a dynamic experience in the spirit of Quaker Principles. We believe that there should be a common goal which is a deeper commitment to the Quaker Way of Life. We suggest that the theme be "What Do We Think?"

Within this framework we envision sharing ideas and opinions which may differ but with ground rules that call for a quiet respect for individual thought, a desire to understand and to work through differing opinion to reach group accord. We further believe that within a group, change and deeper commitment can be brought about. We do not recommend formal study groups or formal agenda dominated by any one leader. We see such meetings as a democratic and dynamic process that is both stimulating and rewarding.

At this time we appoint the Clerk and Asst. Clerk a Committee to prepare the Statistical Report.

As our Quarterly Meeting has been invited to meet with R. I. Quarterly Meeting in Providence, April 16 we appoint the following Representatives - Marion Ross, Nellie Fisher, Peggy Meehan, Bessie Ewen, Robert Cool, Lloyd Arnold, Kenneth Strobel, Leslie Follett, Marjorie Doyle. The first meeting is at 10:30.

A letter from Katherine Howland, matron of N.E. Friends Home informs us of a vacancy at the Home. It is hoped that the room may be occupied by a Friend. Visitors are always welcome, a guest room is available.

Announcement of a Public Witness for Peace in Boston April 8th is at hand. Each meeting is asked to appoint an Overseer. Robert Cool hopes to attend but not as an Overseer.

A letter from Ernest Weed, chairman of Y.M. Finance Committee has been informed by our Y. Meeting Treasurer that our budget for Yearly Meeting is below our commitments. We are invited to send more to Y.M.

3-25-66 Finance Committee Meeting at 2:00 p.m. Sunday Mar 27, at Friends Center, Cambridge, Mass.

A letter from Friends General Conference gives price of Meeting House sign. This appears too small but because the bulletin board has been ruined by the wind, necessitating its removal, a new sign is needed. The matter is referred to the Ladies Aid to secure prices & report at a future Meeting.

The N.E. Young Friends Newsletter is here enclosing a schedule of dates for China Camp.

Letters concerning Meeting House Fund, Investments, Making Peace, War Tax Exemption, Book List and Study Session are placed in hall for those interested. The last named is referred to Peace & Social Concerns Committee.

Robert Cool suggests that our Meeting should be a member of R.I. Council of Churches. The Peace & Social Concerns Committee will give this consideration.

We are united in asking the Clerk to send a letter of appreciation to Walter Keene for clearing the snow around the Meeting House several times this winter.

The caretakers are requested to have our electricity system inspected by R.B. Smith Insurance Co.

The Report of Investment Committee is as follows.
During the year 1965 we have acquired
16 Shs. 1st National Bank of Boston
3 " 2nd " " " Providence
1 " Irving Trust Co.
We have withdrawn from Gen. Funds $414.00 for work at parsonage.
Available at the discretion of meeting

Bonds	1 Amer. Tel & Tel 2 3/4 o/o 4/1/82	$795.00
	1 N.Y. Putnam R.R. 4 o/o 1993	545.00
	2 U.S. Treas. 2 2½ o/o 1967-72	1744.00
		$3084.00

Total Bank Balances	$7635.63
" Bonds	3084.00
" Stocks	6597.00
Cert. of deposit	2450.00
	$19766.63
Total Prin. + Int. held in Trust	14350.42
	$5416.21

For the Committee - Nellie M. Fisher

Statistics for Smithfield Monthly Meeting for 1965

	Particular Meetings			Totals
PLEASE READ BEFORE FILLING OUT When Monthly Meetings consist of more than one Particular Meeting, each particular meeting should fill out a blank for the Monthly Meeting. Each Monthly Meeting should make up its report from the Particular Meeting reports, where more than one Particular Meeting is involved; otherwise use only the "Monthly Meeting" blank for making up its report to the Quarterly Meeting. The "Quarterly Meeting" blank is to be used in making a summary of the several Monthly Meeting reports. All reports SHOULD BE RECORDED IN FULL DETAIL.				
1. Number of Members last year, DEC ~~JAN~~ 3 1 1964	86			
2. Additions due to Omissions in last year's Report, DEC ~~JAN~~ 3 1 1964				
3. Additions by Birth,				
4. Additions by Request, including from another Denomination,				
5. Additions by Certificate from another Friends Meeting,				
6. Total Additions,				
7. Loss due to Removal of persons included by Error in last year's Report, DEC ~~JAN~~ 3 1 1964				
8. Loss by Death,				
9. Loss by Discontinuance, Resignation, or Disownment,				
10. Loss by Certificate to another Friends Meeting,				
11. Loss by Letter to another Denomination,	1			
12. Total Loss,	1			
13. Number of Members this Year, DEC 31, 1965	85			
14. Net Gain,				
15. Net Loss,	1			
16. Number of Males,	35			
17. Number of Females,	50			
18. Number under 21 years of age,	7			
19. Number of Junior Members,				
20. Number of Junior Members Transferred to Active Membership,				
21. Number of Resident Members,	57			
22. Number of Non-Resident Members,	28			
23. Average Attendance at Sunday Worship (estimate),	23			
24. Average Attendance of Children at Sunday School,	20			
25. Average Attendance of Adults at Sunday School,	5			
26. Number of Sunday School Classes.	4			

No further business appearing we conclude.

Melita R. Fisher, Clerk

4-29-'66 At Smithfield Monthly Meeting of Friends held at Woonsocket, R.I. Fourth Month 29, 1966.

The Minutes of last Meeting are read.

The report of the Treasurer shows a balance of $55.53 in General Fund. The Treasurer has received an insurance notice which makes it necessary to secure more money than is available in General Fund. He is authorized to borrow from parsonage fund to the amount of ($175) one hundred seventy-five dollars.

The Committee appointed last month to prepare (complete) the Statistical Report completed it, and is as follows. The Committee was appointed too late to present it at Monthly Meeting before Quarterly Meeting. It was sent to Quarterly Meeting which needs the confirmation of this Meeting for this action. This being given a copy will be inserted in our records.

The Woonsocket Council of Church Women has asked to hold the Nov 4th World Community Day Meeting in this place. The request is granted.

A letter from the Equalization Fund has been read telling of the need for funds. Yearly Meeting is to be held at Amherst, Mass. June 21-26. Applications for help must be approved by Monthly Meeting. (Maximum aid for 10th grade and up $20.85; 9th grade and below $32.75)

A letter from Robert Lyon of the A.F.S.C. encloses an article "On Giving" by Esther Rhoads which will be placed on Bulletin Board.

4-29-'66 A letter from F.C.N.L gives information of their work for peace which requires much money. Their goal for the year is $116,600 which can be reached if each one does his share.

A letter from Herbert Huffman, Exec. Sec. of Bd. on Christian Social Concerns urges us to spend Wednesdays at Capitol Hill, Washington, D.C. at least once, visiting our senators and congressmen regarding the Vietnam situation. A program of events is given.

A letter from The Committee of 100 gives a report of treatment of negro families in Miss. The NAACP Legal Defense is helping to seek enforcement of equality. Their minimum needs are estimated at two million dollars ($2,000,000). They ask our help. This letter is referred to the Peace and Social Concerns Committee

An announcement from A. J. Muste regarding refusal to pay all of Income Tax because of so much used for Vietnam War is read. 360 have thus refused.

At a Meeting of Ministry and Council in March it was suggested that a Meeting of Church Committees be held to consider the duties + their work. No action was taken until presented to Monthly Meeting. At this time, we suggest the name of Ann de Nevers to head the Committee. A coffee hour at end of meeting is suggested. It is hoped by discussion at this meeting, May 9, an idea of topics for discussion group may arise.

A suggestion is made that Mo. Mtg. U.S. bonds might be disposed of for a higher rate of interest. This is referred to the Investment Committee for their consideration.

As Robert Cool is to be away at Hamline Institute at St. Paul in June, he would like to be released from June to September. Lloyd Arnold + Kenneth Strobel will try to secure supplies for this period.

Kenneth Strobel received a letter from Mildred Roberts thanking him for compensation received.

4-29-66 Appreciation is expressed to Kenneth Strobel for printing of Church Bulletin.

The last water bill for Meeting House was above normal. It is referred to Caretakers for the reason.

Lloyd Arnold kindly consents to try to get prices & designs for a church sign. The Ladies Aid have expressed willingness to bear the expense when secured.

No further business appearing we conclude.
Melita B. Fisher, Clerk

5-27-'66 At Smithfield Monthly Meeting of Friends held at Woonsocket, R.I. May 27, 1966

The Minutes of last Meeting are read.

The Treasurer's Report shows a balance of $\overset{61.73}{\$124.31}$ in General Fund with current bills paid. The Clerk is asked to remind the tenants that rent is due to care for Church expenses.

Our Representatives to Quarterly Meeting guests of Providence Meeting report that Marion Ross, B. Ewen, Marjorie Doyle, Robert Cool, Melita and Nellie Fisher, Kenneth Strobel attended.

It is customary at this time to ask the Meeting of Ministry and Counsel to confer with Robert Cool about continuing with under the same conditions, for another year. A four week vacation with salary is granted. As he is to be away from June to Sept. the treasurer will pay the vacation salary at this time.

The Committee appointed to secure supply pastors for the time Robert Cool is absent report as follows: June 12 - Emil John June 19th E. Merrill Root. July 3 an unprogrammed Meeting, July 10 - 24 E. Merrill Root, July 31 Emil John. As Yearly Mtg in Amherst, Mass. has the closing session June 26, Mtg. for Worship here will be omitted.

For a number of years no Meetings for Worship have been

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held during August. It is suggested that beginning the third Sunday in June that Meetings for Worship meet at 10 a. m. instead of 11. These hours to continue until the Sunday after Labor Day.

The matter of helping financially those who may attend China Camp is left to the discretion of the Clerk.

On May 9 Perlina Fisher, a faithful attendant at our Mtgs. for Worship passed away after a short illness.

A letter from Ernest Weed, Chairman Yearly Meeting Finance Committee informs us that the final draft of "Faith and Practice" will probably be accepted. Each Meeting is asked to estimate the number of copies needed, sending payment to Yearly Meeting Treasurer. Paper back $1.00, hard back $2 in lots of ten or more. Money is requested before Sept. 1. This matter is held over until our next Meeting.

A bulletin from Committee for Non Violent Action announces a march on June 15-17 from Madison, Wis. to the (Army ammunition plant) Badger Ordnance Plant at Baraboo. An appeal to all Fellow Americans who are opposed to Viet Nam war to attend or send a contribution. A. J. Muste also solicits our support.

An address by Hans Morgenthau "We are deluding ourselves in Viet Nam" ~~and~~ also a Congressional Record of May 5th will be placed on Bulletin Board. A request from Central Committee for C. O's for a contribution is tabled.

Lloyd Arnold reported on signs for Church but wants others to see them before a decision is made.

The resignation of Melita B. Fisher is presented and accepted with regret, effective Aug. 1.

The next regular Monthly Meeting will be held June 27 as Yearly Meeting is in session June 24th, the regular date.

No further business appearing we conclude.

Melita B. Fisher, Clerk.

6-27-'66 At Smithfield Monthly Meeting of Friends held June 27, 1966 instead of June 24 because of Yearly Meeting.

In the absence of the Clerk, the Asst. Clerk presided.

The Minutes of the last meeting are read.

The report of the Treasurer shows a balance of $82.32 on hand in General Fund.

As Quarterly Meeting is to be held July 30 at Sturbridge Village, Mass., the following are appointed as our Representatives: Kenneth & Eunice Strobel, Lloyd Arnold, Bessie Ewen, Melita Fisher and others who may attend.

A letter from Storrs Friends Meeting asks all Concerned individuals to join in a search for Constructive alternatives to the destructive action in Vietnam. This will be turned over to the Peace and Social Concerns Committee with the suggestion that they contact members & recommend writing letters to their congressmen.

A letter from Woonsocket Teacher's Guild asks for a community leader to meet with them to plan an educational program for parents on the questions around Family Life Education. Dr John A. Ferris, R.I. surgeon will meet with the group at 7:30 P.M., June 30, 1966 at Globe Park School. We appoint Ann De Nevers to represent the Meeting.

A letter from the Board on Missions encloses leaflets or Bonds — asking us to sell them at $1.00 each on Sun. Jan. 26 and have a special offering. As we have no meeting that day, should we set a date for this? The money is to be used for a parsonage at Highgate, Jamaica. We suggest that an announcement be made that these "Bonds" may be "bought" by anyone interested from the Clerk.

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A letter from Jerome Davis, Promoting Enduring Peace encloses a postal "Ten Rules to Peace." He asks us to mail them to friends. We approve of having the Clerk send for 50 of these cards.

It is our usual custom to omit Monthly Meeting during July and August. If necessary a meeting may be called by the Clerk. We approve.

The Nominating Committee brings in the names of Bessie Ewen and Ann DeNevers as Clerk and Asst. Clerk which are approved.

We are asked to find out the number of new "Faith & Practice" books needed at $1.00 each for hard cover and 50 Cents paper. We approve of having the Treasurer order 10 copies of each.

A notice of Mid-Week Call to Worship folders to promote interest in the Meeting is at hand. We refer this to the Committee on Christian Education.

The Committee on Friends World College sends some information. We approve of Ann DeNevers sending for more information on this.

Shirley Renaud asks permission to screen in the front porch at her expense. We approve. She reports that some of the window screens are in poor repair. The care-takers are authorized to check and repair what is necessary.

No further business appearing, we conclude.

Bessie F. Ewen, Asst. Clerk

9-30-'66

6 present

At Smithfield Monthly Meeting of Friends at Woonsocket, Sept. 30, 1966.

The minutes of the last meeting are read.

The report of the Treasurer shows a balance of $293.95 in General Fund. We approve of the Treasurer turning $40 shown in report into the permanent Cemetery Fund, and $100 of the parsonage fund into the Savings Account.

The Queries are read and considered. We appoint the following as representatives to Quarterly Meeting to be held in Saylesville, October 15 — Robert Cool, Lloyd Arnold, Melita Fisher, Bessie Ewen and others who may attend.

Letters have been received from Friends Council on Education, Friends Leadership Development (Earlham), A Quaker Action Group, and Committee of 100, all asking for contributions of money. It is suggested that a committee be appointed to look over letters of this nature and judge if they are worthy. Louise Carrigan volunteers to serve on this, and we appoint Kenneth Strobel to assist her. It is also suggested that various Committees take care of correspondence concerning their particular area.

A letter from Friends United Meeting asking all Friends Meetings and members to pray for the World Congress on Evangelism to be held in Berlin October 26 — November 4 is read. It is suggested that this be mentioned in morning meeting.

A letter from Quaker Project on Community Conflict is read and will be turned over to Peace and Social Concerns Committee.

The North Smithfield Garden Club requests the use of the Meeting House for a meeting October 8. It is approved.

Ann DeNevers reports that Friends World College was formed by New York Yearly Meeting to fill a void as no other college had a program to help promote peace. Eventually there are to be seven

9-30-66 centers around the world where students will study for a certain length of time. At present there are three, one in New York, one in Mexico and one in Copenhagen. We in New England could help by donating books for the library. We could also offer hospitality to students who might pass through this area, and could contribute to the Scholarship fund.

As Friday night seems to be inconvenient for some members, it is suggested and approved that the next business meeting be held, Wednesday, October 26, and that we contact as many members as possible to have a good attendance.

The Clerk is requested to send a note of sympathy to Melita and Nellie Fisher on the loss of their sister Ethel.

On September 30, Ethel Fisher, a former resident died in Worcester. She was a faithful Contributer to the Meeting, was interested in the lives of the various members, and will be missed by all who knew her.

Our business being accomplished, we Conclude.

Respectfully submitted,
Bessie F. Ewen, Clerk

10-26-66

6 present At Smithfield Monthly Meeting of Friends held at Woonsocket October 26, 1966.

The minutes of the last meeting are read.

Melita Fisher thanks the Meeting for the sympathy extended on the loss of her sister, Ethel.

The Treasurer's report shows a balance of $415.18 in General Fund.

Representatives to Quarterly Meeting held at Saylesville, October 15 report that seven attended.

The nominating committee is reminded to

10-26-66 bring in names of officers and committees to serve in 1967, at the next meeting.

We have an invitation from Providence Meeting to join with them November 9 to hear William Barton of British Friends Service Council speak. Rhode Island Quarterly Meeting agrees to sponsor his talk and asks our help. We approve of giving $15 toward expenses of this program.

A list of books we can borrow from Yearly Meeting Lending Library is at hand. We are urged to make use of these books. This list will be placed on file.

After considering the report of Committee on Contributions, it is ~~approved~~ concurred that no contribution be given to the Committee of 100 in 1966.

The letter from Quaker Action is tabled.

We approve of waiting for more information on Quaker Leadership.

Concerning Committee on Education, we feel that other groups need our support more.

A letter from the Executive Council of Yearly Meeting suggesting use of Youth Worker is read. As our young people are scarce at present, we shall keep in mind that we can ask help should occasion arise.

A letter from A F S C clothing center in Cambridge asking for continuing support and contributions is read.

A letter from the Central Committee for Conscientious Objectors is turned over to Peace & Social Concerns.

The matter of putting the Minister's salary on a tax-withholding basis is discussed. It is suggested that inquiry be made of other Churches as to what they do and a report be made at the

10-26-66 next meeting.

Ann De Nevers' reports for Peace and Social Concerns Committee on Community Conflict. There is help available to communities should racial trouble arise. We feel that the Police Department should be informed of this.

The Peace & Social Concerns' Committee asks permission to keep a file of material relevant to Peace, Social Concerns, the Meeting to stand expense of the file. We approve

Our business being concluded, we adjourn

Respectfully submitted,
Bessie F. Erven, Clerk

11-30-66 At Smithfield Monthly Meeting of Friends held at Woonsocket, November 30, 1966.

The minutes of the last meeting are read.

The Treasurer's report shows a balance of $413.28 in General Fund.

The nominating committee presents ~~the following~~ slate of officers for 1967. As there are some vacancies to be filled the committee is continued.

A letter from Friends United Meeting concerning "Life Service Sunday" for young people is read. It is suggested that this be held over to the next meeting.

A letter from AFSC on High School Seminars and a series of lectures is read and will be placed on the bulletin board.

A leaflet, "Points For Progress", will be placed on the bulletin board.

A letter from Friends United Meeting is read asking that the "Chain of Prayer" be observed during Lent. Meetings can register for a day - full 24 hours -

11-30-66 during this time. After some discussion it ~~was~~ is suggested this be held over to next meeting.

1 letter from A F S C relative to Christmas Gift Cards is at hand. Contributions to the Service Committee may be made in memory of someone if desired. We approve of individuals doing as they see fit.

1 letter from Yokefellow Associates offering newspaper columns "Thoughts for Meditation" plus L.P. records for discussion is read. It is suggested these be placed on the bulletin board, and further consideration be given to the subject.

Robert Cool suggests that we continue to look up books for "Friends World College".

He also announced that he plans to keep the Meeting House open Saturday afternoons, feeling that it will prove helpful.

Our business being accomplished we conclude.

Respectfully submitted,
Bessie F. Brown, Clerk

12-28-66 At Smithfield Monthly Meeting of Friends held at Woonsocket, December 28, 1966.

In the absence of the Assistant Clerk, Robert Cool volunteers to serve.

5 present The minutes of the last meeting are read.

The Treasurer's Report is read and shows a balance of $394.11 in General Fund.

The nominating Committee presents the following slate of officers and Committees for the coming year. It is approved with provision to add a Chairman to the nominating Committee.

12-28-66

Officers and Committees for 1967

Clerk - Bessie F. Ewen
Asst. Clerk - Louise Corrigan
Treasurer - Kenneth Strobel
Asst. Treasurer - Lester N. Taber

Investment Committee Nellie Fisher, Floyd Arnold, Lester Taber, Louise Taber

Finance & Stewardship Committee Louise Corrigan, Lester Taber, Wilma Smith, Lauriston Smith. Kenneth Strobel and Nellie Fisher, ex-officio

Relief Committee - Floyd Arnold, Ruth Smith (Mrs. Lauriston)

Caretakers - Lauren Follett, Leslie Follett, Lauriston Smith, Louise Taber, Kenneth Smith

Christian Education Committee - Eunice Strobel, Marjorie Doyle, Eleanor Mowry, Robert Cool, Floyd Arnold

Peace & Social Concerns - Ann DeNevers, Floyd Arnold, Robert Cool.

Music - Floyd Arnold, Louise Taber, Louise Corrigan, Melita Fisher

Sunshine - Melita Fisher, Louise Corrigan, Priscilla Acord, Leona Ewen, Henrietta Pendleton

Missionary - Ruth E. Smith, Mae B. Todd, Leona Ewen, Grace McNamara, Henrietta Pendleton

Cemeteries - Mapleville - Joseph Estes
Woonsocket - Carlton Aldrich, Bettye Ewen
E. Blackstone - Ernest Smith, Leslie Follett
Robert Mowry

Ushers - Donald Ross, Head Usher, Lester Taber, Asst., Allen Brooks, Lauriston Smith, Kenneth Strobel

12-28-66 Junior Ushers - Richard Keene, Jeffrey Keene, Douglas Keene, John Hicks

Flower Committee - Dorothy Mowry - Laura Follett, Margaret MacLean, Wilma Smith, Ruth E. Smith, Marion Ross

Nominating Committee - Marion Ross, Hester Taber, Melita Fisher, Eunice Strobel

Ministry and Counsel recommends reappointing Louise Corrigan, Wilma Smith and Bessie Ewen as Elders to serve through 1969. This is approved. As there is some question as to the proper method of appointing Elders it is recommended that they be appointed according to Faith and Practice in the future.

The matter of observing Life Service Sunday held over from last meeting is discussed. We approve of setting aside February 5 for this.

A letter from Friends Committee on National Legislation urges us to write our Congressmen setting forth our opinion of appropriations for the war in Vietnam is read. This will be turned over to Peace and Social Concerns Committee.

A letter from Committee for Non-Violent Action asking funds to help improve their quarters after suffering a fire is read. We do not feel we should contribute to this.

A letter from Yearly Meeting Finance Committee calling attention to the budget is read. It is recommended that this be turned over to the Finance Committee.

An excerpt from Congressional Record on Abolition of Federal Death Sentence, Washington Newsletter, Bulletin from Lincoln School and brochure from Moses Brown School are at hand and will be

Placed on table in the hall.

Annual Reports are due at the next meeting.

No further business appearing, we conclude

Respectfully submitted,
Bessie F. Ewen, Clerk

1-25-67 At Smithfield Monthly Meeting of Friends held at Woonsocket, Jan 25, 1967.

The minutes of the last meeting are read.

5 present The Treasurer's report shows a balance of $297.94 in General Fund Dec. 31, 1966.

A letter from Providence Meeting is read thanking Smithfield Meeting for contribution toward expenses of William Barton on Nov. 9, 1966.

A letter from Mildred Roberts is read. It states that there is need of an assistant to the administrator at New England Friends Home. Applications may be sent to Katherine Haviland. It is suggested that this be announced at morning meeting.

A letter from Kathleen Corrigan requesting the use of the Meeting House for her wedding and reception Apr. 15 is read. We approve granting this request. Since this is the date of Quarterly Meeting, the Clerk is directed to notify the arrangements committee and ask that the Meeting House be free by 3:30 P.M.

Forms for the annual statistical report are at hand. The Clerk and Asst. Clerk are appointed to fill out the report.

Annual reports from various committees follow:

Caretakers report that the cesspool at the parsonage was cleaned, a new faucet put in the bathroom, and a check for leaks made at the same time.

Sunshine. reports 8 birthday cards, 16 Christmas cards, 16 Christmas gifts, 4 sympathy cards, 3 baby cards, 13 Get-well cards, & 4 yearly reports were sent.

1-25-67 Missionary reports — Although there is no missionary society, the Sunday School and Ladies Aid have continued to carry out missionary programs. The Sunday School again collected for UNICEF and turned in $7.31. They also collected $15.00 in nickles for Indian work, and at Christmas decorated a "mitten tree" with 30 pairs of mittens. The Ladies Aid joined with United Church Women and collected cotton material for South Vietnam in March. Then in November, they filled 6 personal hygiene kits to be sent to Southeast Asia. They also made contributions to the Cancer Fund, United Fund, and Milk Fund. They sent $50 to Yearly Mtg. for missionary work, and individuals added $34.20 to that.

Education — This committee has not functioned effectively this year. Several meetings were called but none were held for many reasons — sickness and conflicting engagements and other reasons.

We purchased the book which is to be used next summer at the Friends World Conference. This book has circulated through the Meeting and is available to anyone who wishes to borrow it. Any material given to me has been passed around to other committee members. — Eunice Strobel - Chairman

Annual Report of Investment Committee

Value of Stocks (market value 12/31/66)	$6800.00
" " bonds " " "	3276.00
Certificate of deposit	2150.00
General Bank Acct. - available for use of Meeting	4051.12
Clara Pitts Fund	2927.62
Specific Bank Accounts	4195.62
	23,400.36
Principal + Interest to be held in trust	15,079.38
Available for use at discretion of Monthly Meeting	8,320.98

Respectfully submitted for Committee
Nellie M. Fisher

1-25-67

Annual Report of Treasurer
Year Ending Dec. 31, 1966

Balance on hand January 1, 1966		$471.39
RECEIPTS – 1966		
Collections – Envelopes	$1990.60	
" – United Budget	399.70	
Rent – Parsonage	805.00	
Invested Funds	668.98	
Sale of Cemetery Lot – Blackstone – 1965	40.00	
Relief Committee	117.50	
Ladies Aid Society	100.00	
Donations for China Camp Fund	45.00	
Miscellaneous	25.00	4191.78
Total Receipts for 1966		$4663.17

EXPENSES – 1966		
Pastor's Salary	$1400.00	
Ministerial Supply	180.00	
Janitor's Salary	240.00	
Organist's Salary	31.00	
United Budget	699.78	
Payments to Relief Committee	203.12	
N.E. Coal Company – Oil	280.33	
City of Woonsocket – Water	44.07	
Blackstone Valley Electric	26.85	
R.P. Smith – Insurance	280.80	
Return to Invested Fund from Parsonage Fund	400.00	
To Cemetery Fund for Sale of Lots – 1965	40.00	
Industrial National Bank – Stock Purchase	8.40	
Disciplines (Faith & Practice)	45.00	
China Camp Fund	60.00	
Parsonage Expense	51.75	
Janitor's Supplies	14.34	
R.I. Hospital Trust – Safe Deposit Box	5.00	
R.I. Medicare Fund	7.28	
Miscellaneous	37.48	
Total Expense – 1966		4055.20
Balance on Hand 12-31-66		$607.97

Balance on Hand General Fund	$297.94
Parsonage Fund	298.15
Relief Fund	11.88
	$607.97

Kenneth Strobel, Treasurer

1-25-67 The preceding reports are approved by the Meeting.

On November 3 last year, Mae Dickey, the oldest member of Smithfield Meeting, died at age 94 after being in a nursing home for two years. She lived in the house below the Quaker Cemetery for many years, and was very helpful in many ways. She had knit hundreds of pairs of mittens during the last few years which went on the annual "mitten tree". She made over twenty pairs this past year until she was no longer able to do it. Her contributions will be missed.

Members of the Meeting were saddened in January by the death of Frederick Carter who was killed in South Vietnam. He attended Sunday School as a child and became a member of Smithfield Meeting in 1962.

Our business being accomplished, we adjourn.

Bessie F. Ewen, Clerk

Statistics for Smithfield Monthly Meeting for 1966

2-22-67

16 present

1. Number of Members last year, DEC 31 1965	85			
2. Additions due to Omissions in last year's Report, DEC 31 1965	1			
3. Additions by Birth,				
4. Additions by Request, including from another Denomination,				
5. Additions by Certificate from another Friends Meeting,				
6. Total Additions, DEC 31 1965				
7. Loss due to Removal of persons included by Error in last year's Report,				
8. Loss by Death,	1			
9. Loss by Discontinuance, Resignation, or Disownment,				
10. Loss by Certificate to another Friends Meeting,				
11. Loss by Letter to another Denomination,				
12. Total Loss,				
13. Number of Members this Year, DEC 31 1966	85			
14. Net Gain,				
15. Net Loss,				
16. Number of Males,	36			
17. Number of Females,	49			
18. Number under 21 years of age,	8			
19. Number of Junior Members,	7			
20. Number of Junior Members Transferred to Active Membership,				
21. Number of Resident Members,	57			
22. Number of Non-Resident Members,	28			
23. Average Attendance at Sunday Worship (estimate),	20			
24. Average Attendance of Children at Sunday School,	20			
25. Average Attendance of Adults at Sunday School,	5			
26. Number of Sunday School Classes.	4			

2-22-67 At Smithfield Monthly Meeting of Friends held at Woonsocket, February 22, 1967.

The minutes of the last meeting are read.

6 present The Treasurer's report shows a balance of $301.18 in General Fund

The Statistical Report is read and will be sent to the Quarterly Meeting Clerk. A copy is inserted in the records.

A letter from Milwaukee Monthly Meeting relative to sending aid to Vietnam is read. It is recommended that this be turned over to Peace and Social Concerns Committee.

A letter from Friends General Conference asking consideration of investing in "meeting house fund" is read. No action taken.

Announcement of the Witness for Peace Walk in

2-22-67 Boston on Good Friday is read. It is suggested that this be read in morning meeting, and be turned over to Peace and Social Concerns for consideration.

A letter from "A Quaker Action Group" asks for contributions to help pay expense of ship sailing with medical aid to people of Vietnam is read. This will be turned over to Peace and Social Concerns committee.

A letter from Sophia Little Home announcing a second interfaith Clergy institute March 6 is at hand. Monthly Meeting will pay expenses if Robert Cool wishes to attend.

One of our record books in the vault at Brown University needs to be rebound, and we are asked if we will pay part of the expense. We request an estimate of cost to us before making a reply.

The Sunshine committee reports three get-well cards were sent this past month.

We approve of having Kenneth Strobel prepare the annual bulletin again this year.

No further business appearing, we conclude.
Bessie F. Ewen, Clerk

3-25-67 At a special session of Smithfield Monthly Meeting March 25, 1967.

Meeting on Ministry and Counsel recommend the name of Catherine Benjamin to become a member of the Meeting Easter Sunday, March 26, 1967. We approve.

Also considered are the names of Jeffrey Thibault, Richard and Jeffrey Keene who are undecided. We approve accepting them as members if and when they apply for membership.

Respectfully submitted,
Bessie F. Ewen, Clerk

3-29-67 At Smithfield Monthly Meeting held at Woonsocket March 29, 1967.

The minutes of the last meeting are read.

The Treasurer's report shows a balance of $310.54 in General Fund.

The Sunshine committee reports a get-well card sent to Wilma Smith.

The Spiritual Report is read and approved and will be sent to Quarterly Meeting.

The Queries are read and considered. We appoint the following as representatives to Quarterly Meeting to be held at Woonsocket April 15 — Kenneth & Eunice Strobel, Lloyd Arnold, Marion Ross, Melita Fisher.

Marion Ross and Millie Fisher are appointed to make arrangements for lunch at Quarterly Meeting.

"Corn" cards from Committee on Indian Affairs are at hand for those who care to fill them.

Announcement of 50th anniversary reunion and dinner of AFSC to be held at Harvard April 29 is read.

Announcement of Friends World Conference at Greensboro, N.C. in June is at hand.

It is suggested that Shirley Renaud be asked to sing at First Day Meeting, arrangements to be made ~~to~~ by the Music Committee with authority to offer $3.00 for each time she sings. We approve.

It is felt that the rent for the parsonage is too high as the Meeting is not in business to make a profit. We approve of reducing it to $65 a month, effective April 1, 1967.

Melita Fisher reported that rebinding and preserving the Smithfield Record Book will cost between $100 — $250. This seems to be exorbitant even at today's high prices. There is to be a meeting of the Vault Committee held April 1st, and a report can be made at Quarterly Meeting.

No further business appearing, we conclude.

Respectfully submitted
Eunice F. [illegible], Clerk

4-26-67 At Smithfield Monthly Meeting of Friends held at Woonsocket, April 26, 1967.

The minutes of the last meeting are read.

8 present The Treasurer's report is read and shows a balance of $34.26 in General Fund March 31, 1967. The Treasurer asks permission to take $59 from the parsonage fund to pay the proportionate share of insurance. Request is granted.

The Sunshine Committee reports a birthday card sent to Mae Todd who is 92, and a "cheer-up" card to Mrs. Ernest Aker.

Representatives to Quarterly Meeting held at Woonsocket April 15 report that all attended.

A letter from National Conference of Friends on Race Relations containing a questionnaire is at hand and will be passed to Peace & Social Concerns Committee.

A letter from F.C.N.L. urges us to write our Congressmen on bills under consideration, and to support the end of war in Vietnam.

Lincoln School Bulletin, "the Quaker" from Moses Brown School, newsletter from Providence Meeting, News Notes from Central Committee of Conscientious Objectors, and a Memorial leaflet to A. J. Muste from the Committee for Non-Violent Action are at hand and will be placed in the hall for anyone to read.

Melita Fisher reports that the Obadiah Brown fund will pay a large portion of the expense to re-bind and preserve the 18th century record book of Smithfield Meeting. It is felt it will be a good gesture for the Meeting to contribute a portion. It is approved that the Meeting donate $25 toward the expense. If individuals desire to contribute also it will be very welcome.

As the warm weather season is due, it is time to consider screens for the parsonage

4-26-67 since several are in poor condition. A suggestion has been made that combination windows and doors be provided using the Parsonage fund to pay the expense. Caretakers are asked to get an estimate of cost and report at next meeting.

The tenants report that the back porch floor needs repairing. Caretakers are authorized to have this work done.

A committee was appointed at Quarterly Meeting, with members from each Monthly Meeting, to consider the method of conducting future Quarterly Meetings jointly with Rhode Island Quarterly Meeting. We approve of joint meetings for programs with separate business meetings.

Robert Cool presented the question of having an ad in Quaker Life Directory stating the times of Smithfield Meeting for worship. We approve of this, Robert Cool to send in the information

On April 24 Edith Mowry one of our oldest members died after several years of failing health. She was a lifelong member who kept in touch with the Meeting although unable to attend services.

Respectfully submitted,
Bessie F. Ewen, Clerk

5-14-67 At a special meeting held after Meeting for Worship May 14 '67.

The caretakers report that it takes about two weeks to install combination windows and doors after being ordered hence the need for a special meeting. They present the following estimate of cost.

(Estimate missing)

We approve of having the better quality and authorize the caretakers to order them.

Bessie F. Ewen, Clerk

5-31-67 At Smithfield Monthly Meeting of Friends held at Woonsocket, May 31, 1967.

The minutes of the last meeting are read.

The Treasurer reports a balance of $177.84 in General Fund, April 30, 1967.

Several members of the East Blackstone Quaker Meeting House Association are present to ask about turning over the property to them as their records show that the original agreement gave them five years to prove successful operation. A committee from Smithfield Meeting is appointed to look up records — Kenneth Strobel, Melita Fisher, Lloyd Arnold and Bessie Ewen.

A letter from 57th Street Meeting of Friends in Chicago is read. We are urged to refuse to pay the 10% Tax on telephone bills. We suggest this be left to individual choice.

Yearly Meeting reminds us to get applications for China Camp to children desiring to attend Camp. They also ask for contributions to Equalization Fund for Yearly Meeting.

Ministry & Counsel is asked to confer with Robert Cool about serving for another year. He advises us that he has been asked to give a course at Moses Brown School this year in addition to his regular teaching at the Mary Wheeler School and feels that he might not be able to give the Meeting enough time.

A request from Myers Park Methodist Church for transfer of membership for Susan (Ewen) Caillouet is read. We regretfully approve, and the Clerk is directed to write a letter of transfer.

A letter from Yearly Meeting is read concerning draft counselling with some suggestions. Robert Cool feels this is up to the individuals and states that this Meeting does give information to those

5-31-67 who need it.

The caretakers report that combination windows and doors have been installed at the parsonage. The tenants report that the center of house seems to be sagging, and the paint is in bad condition after the bad rainstorm on May 24. The caretakers are asked to investigate sagging and to discuss paint with tenants. They ask about using iron pipe for the new sign. We approve of this.

There is a concern for a longer silent period in morning meetings. After much discussion it is agreed that this be tried.

The Committee appointed for Quarterly Meeting report that Rhode Island Quarter agrees that business meetings be separate and the programs and worship be held jointly. They don't want to continue joint meetings unless Smithfield Quarter decides to join permanently. It is felt we need more discussion between Worcester and Smithfield meetings. Clerk is requested to send a letter asking Worcester to meet with Smithfield Meeting June 28 and discuss a joint Quarter.

Copies of Quaker Outreach, "The Quaker" from Moses Brown School, FCNL newsletter and a booklet from AFSC are at hand and will be placed on the bulletin board.

No Further On May 28, 1967 Walter Mowry, son of the late Walter and Edith Mowry died. He attended Sunday School as a boy. In later years he lived in another community.

No further business appearing, we conclude

Respectfully submitted,
Bessie F. Swan, Clerk

6-28-67 At Smithfield Monthly Meeting of Friends held at Woonsocket, June 28, 1967.

The minutes of the last meeting are read.

5 present The Treasurer's report shows a balance of $13.53 in General Fund.

As has been done the past few years, we approve of omitting Meetings for Worship during the month of August. If anyone desires to have the Meeting House open, we approve of doing so by request. It is unanimously approved that Meeting for Worship be held at 10 AM during July and the first Sunday in September.

The Queries are read and considered. We appoint Floyd Arnold, Bessie Ewen, Melita Fisher and others who may attend as representatives to Quarterly Meeting to be held July 15 at North Dartmouth, Mass.

A letter from Friends United Meeting asking for donations for relief work in Israel and Jordan is read. We approve of leaving this to individuals.

A note from Thyra Jane Foster thanking Smithfield Meeting for donation of $25 toward binding and preserving the old record book

(1875-1918) is read. (Women's Missionary Society)

A letter from Monadnock Meeting is read inviting us to meet with them at the Cathedral of the Pines Aug 6 at 5 P M. Hospitality is offered before and after the services at the Meeting School in Rindge, N. H.

The committee for East Blackstone Meeting House Association reports that records of agreement with the Association are in John Carter Brown library, and will be looked up, a report to be made at a later meeting. We approve.

The question of uniting with Rhode Island Quarterly Meeting is discussed. At a meeting of the special committee, Lloyd Arnold reports that "a suggestion was made that Ministry & Counsel for Quarterly Meeting be replaced by a standing committee. The feeling of Smithfield is that Ministry and Counsel is a basic part of Quarterly Meeting to oversee the spiritual condition and to confer with Monthly Meetings on any special concerns, and that it should be kept. There seems to be no objection to forming one Quarterly Meeting from the Rhode Island and Smithfield Quarters."

The committee from Ministry and Counsel appointed to confer with Robert Cool about serving for another year as minister report that they suggested he serve half time and make his own schedule, and we fill in with Merrill Root or other supply ministers. We approve of this if Robert Cool agrees.

No further business appearing we conclude.

Respectfully submitted,
Bessie F. Evans, Clerk

7-26-67 At Smithfield Monthly Meeting of Friends held at Woonsocket, July 26, 1967.

5 present The minutes of the last meeting are read.
The Treasurer's report shows a balance of $50.56 in General Fund.

Representatives to Quarterly Meeting report that five attended; it was an interesting and inspiring meeting, and everyone enjoyed a talk with colored slides by a photographer who sailed on the Phoenix with medical supplies for North Vietnam last Spring.

A letter from Janice Kelleher requests that her name be removed from membership in Smithfield

7-26-67 Meeting of Friends as she and her husband are now active in another Church where they live. We approve of granting this request with regret.

Lloyd Arnold reports Robert Cool has consented to serve as Minister part time, the schedule of supply to be worked out later.

Report from Quarterly Meeting is that Ministry and Counsel is to be continued as part of Quarterly Meeting, and possibly a Continuation committee be named to consider any special problems that may arise between regular meetings. We approve.

As General Fund is not sufficient, the Treasurer is authorized to use part of the Parsonage fund to pay the minister's salary for the month of August.

Our business being concluded, we adjourn to meet at the call of the Clerk should a meeting be necessary in August.

Respectfully submitted,
Bessie F. Evers, Clerk

9-27-67 At Smithfield Monthly Meeting of Friends held at Woonsocket, Sept. 27, 1967.

The minutes of the last meeting are read and approved.

5 present

The Treasurer's report shows a balance of $34.46 in General Fund. He reports that it was not necessary to touch the Parsonage Fund for current expenses during August.

The Sunshine Committee reports that a sympathy card was sent to Marion Green, a Get Well card to Mrs. McCreadie and a Cheer-up card to Mr. Ernest Aker.

The Queries are read and considered. The following are appointed as representatives to

9-27-67 Quarterly Meeting in Worcester, Oct. 21, Melita Fisher, Eunice Strobel, Louise Corrigan, Floyd Arnold, Eason Swen Leslie Follett.

Floyd Arnold reports on arrangements for Quarterly Meeting. There is to be a panel discussion on the subject "How Can Friends Bring their Message to Others?"

Ann DeNevers for Peace and Social Concerns suggests that Smithfield Meeting try a family counseling program for normal problems of normal families in the community - namely No. Smithfield. With our approval Ann is to investigate the necessary process of setting this program in motion.

A letter from A Quaker Action Group offering a film "The Voyage of the Phoenix" is read. No action is taken.

A letter from Worcester Ministry + Counsel announces a meeting for worship to be held at Uxbridge Quaker Meeting House October 8 at 4 P.M. Members of this meeting are urged to attend.

A letter from Earlham School of Religion reports progress on the campaign to raise funds for developing Quaker leadership. They have many more requests for graduates to serve in Quaker meetings than there are available.

A letter from Finley Perry is read. He expresses appreciation of our support to the campaign for funds for Earlham School of Religion. Smithfield Meeting has contributed $183 from 13 members so far.

An announcement of the annual meeting of A F S C in Philadelphia October 28, 1967 is read.

We approve of ordering Handbook of the Religious Society of Friends published in England by Friends World Committee.

9-27-67 We approve of the Meeting furnishing a subscription of the FCNL newsletter for Ann De Nevers.

Melita Fisher and Robert Cool are appointed to prepare a memorial for Henrietta Pendleton who died September 24.

The Clerk is directed to contact caretakers and ask for report on paint for the parsonage at the next meeting.

Melita Fisher offers to send for a pamphlet by Rachel Cadbury as a basis for discussion in the Meeting. We approve.

Our business being accomplished, we conclude.

Respectfully submitted,
Bessie F. Ewer, Clerk

10-25-67 At Smithfield Monthly Meeting of Friends held at Woonsocket, October 25, 1967.

Minutes of the last meeting are read and approved.

7 present

The Treasurer's report shows a balance of $155.65 in General Fund September 30, 1967.

Sunshine committee reports that cards of sympathy were sent to Mrs. Herbert Sawyer, Mr. & Mrs. Ernest Hanson and Mr & Mrs Franklin Allen this month. A cheer-up card was sent to Mr. Ernest Aker.

A letter from Rev Arthur H Dunham requests a transfer of membership for Eleanor Smith Grant to the Taftville Congregational Church in Connecticut. Request is granted.

A letter from Friends United Meeting announces Quaker leadership seminars to be held in Washington, D.C. Jan 22-25 and April 22-25. It is doubtful if anyone can attend from this Meeting.

A letter from Thyra Jane Foster on the storage of Quaker records is read. Enclosed is a letter explaining methods used by the State of Maine. This will be placed on file.

The caretakers report an estimate of $534 from A. Morin & Sons for paint and minor repairs to the parsonage and garage. We approve of having this work done. The Investment Committee is authorized to draw on funds to pay this bill if necessary, and to return whatever sum is used as soon as possible.

Nominating committee is reminded to bring in a slate of officers and committees at next Monthly Meeting.

No further business appearing, we conclude.

Respectfully submitted,
Bessie F. Ewen, Clerk.

Memorial

Henrietta A Trew Pendleton, a longtime member of Smithfield Monthly Meeting of Friends entered her eternal home on Sunday, September 24 in her 89th year. She had been a faithful member serving as Sunday School teacher, treasurer of Missionary Meeting, holding office on various committees attending Meetings of Ministry and Counsel and Morning Worship until failing health prevented.

In spite of painful suffering, she retained her faith, deriving much comfort from her Bible up to the last.

She will be remembered for her loyalty and devotion to friends and to the Meeting.

11-29-67 At Smithfield Monthly Meeting of Friends held at Woonsocket, November 29, 1967.

6 present The minutes of the last meeting are read and approved.

The Treasurer's report shows a balance of $253.93 in General Fund October 31, 1967.

The Sunshine committee reports that a Get Well card was sent to Merrill and Elsa Root.

A letter from AFSC offering free program folders is read. We approve of sending for 50 of these.

A letter from Friends General Conference relative to Intervisitation among Friends is read. It is felt that individuals, and especially the Elders, should feel responsible to encourage members to take part in the Meetings.

A letter from AFSC on a Christmas Gift plan is read and will be placed on the bulletin board.

A suggestion is made that a Christmas offering be taken December 24 to be sent to AFSC. We approve. Announcements will be made at morning meetings each preceding Sunday.

Our business being accomplished, we adjourn.

Respectfully submitted,
Bessie F. Ewen, Clerk

12-27-67 At Smithfield Monthly Meeting of Friends held at Woonsocket, December 27, 1967.

7 present The minutes of the last meeting are read and approved.

The Treasurer's report shows a balance of $201.40 in General Fund Nov. 30, 1967.

The Sunshine committee reports the following cards sent during the month — 12 Christmas, 1 Birthday, 2 Get-Well and 1 Sympathy.

12-27-67 The nominating committee presents the following slate of officers and committees for 1968. We approve.

Clerk - Bessie Ewen
Asst. Clerk - Louise Corrigan
Treasurer - Kenneth Strobel
Asst. Treasurer - Lester Taber

Elders
1968 Ruth E. Smith, Leona Ewen, Melita Fisher
1969 Bessie Ewen, Wilma Smith, Louise Corrigan
1970 Joseph Estes, Lauriston Smith, Merrill Root

Investment Committee. Nellie Fisher, Lloyd Arnold
Lester Taber, Louise Taber

Finance & Stewardship - Louise Corrigan, Lester Taber, Wilma Smith, Lauriston Smith, Robert Mowry, Donald Ross - Kenneth Strobel, Nellie Fisher ex officio

Relief - Lloyd Arnold, Ruth E. Smith (Mrs Lauriston)

Caretakers - Louise Taber, Laura Follett, Lester Follett, Lauriston Smith, Kenneth Smith

Christian Education - Eunice Strobel, Marjorie Doyle, Cynthia Mowry, Eleanor Mowry, Robert Cool, Lloyd Arnold

Peace & Social Concerns - Ann DeNevers, Lloyd Arnold, Robert Cool, Melita B. Fisher

Music - Lloyd Arnold, Louise Taber, Louise Corrigan, Melita Fisher

Sunshine - Melita Fisher, Louise Corrigan, Ruth L. Smith, Priscilla Acord

Missionary - Bessie Ewen, Mae B. Todd, Leona Ewen, Grace McNamara, Ruth E. Smith

Ushers - Head Usher Lester Taber - Asst. Allen Brooks
Lauriston Smith, Donald Ross, Robert Mowry, Jr

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Junior Ushers - Richard Keene, Jeffrey Keene, Douglas Keene,
John Wicks

Cemeteries - Mapleville - Joseph Estes
Woonsocket - Carlton Aldrich, Battye Ewen
E. Blackstone - Ernest Smith, Leslie Follett, Robert Mowry

Flower - Dorothy Mowry, Laura Follett, Beatrice Mowry,
Wilma Smith, Ruth E. Smith, Marion Ross

Nominating - Nellie Fisher, Louise Taber, Kenneth Strobel
Robert Mowry

A letter from New England Yearly Meeting asks that a discussion be held on what the Meeting wishes to communicate to non-Friends about the Religious Society of Friends. This will be turned over to Ministry and Counsel. It is suggested that mention might be made occasionally of former active members of this Meeting during services for worship. We approve.

A letter from Marie Condon, secretary of Yearly Meeting Peace and Social Concerns Committee, concerning a change in Peace testimony is at hand and will be turned over to Peace and Social Concerns Committee.

A letter from F C N L asks Friends to take Action and communicate with their Senators and Representatives to Congress during the Christmas recess stating their individual views on the War in Vietnam, and asking an early end of the war. This will be placed on the bulletin board.

Committees of Monthly Meeting are reminded to present annual reports at the next meeting

Mrs. Franklin Allen attended the Meeting to first thank Friends for sending a copy of the Memorial written for Henrietta A. Pendleton. Next she presented a check to the Meeting from the Estate of Henrietta

12-27-67 Pendleton along with a copy of the last Will and Testaments which will be put in the safe deposit box at the R.I. Hospital Trust Bank. Clerk is directed to write a note of thanks to Mrs Allen for her time and effort in settling the Estate.

Robert Cool reports that as an experiment in visiting shut-ins Shirley Renaud sang for Ernest Aser.

Sunshine Committee Annual Report

Cards sent during 1967 —	Get Well or Cheery —	9
	Birthday	2
	Sympathy	5
	Christmas	12

"Shut-ins" were remembered at Christmas with boxes of cookies and Kleenex tissues. Leslie and Laura Follett carried the gifts to eight of the "shut-ins". Louise Corrigan and Melita Fisher visited Addie Prine at St. Elizabeth's Home, and Lila Smith at the Medical Center at Howard, R.I. Both seemed well as usual, but Addie seemed more depressed than we usually found her.

We feel that there are others who should be on the "shut-in" list before another year.

Respectfully submitted,
Melita B. Fisher

P.S. I took over the correspondence part of this Committee in March.

Our business being accomplished, we adjourn.
Respectfully submitted
Bessie F Ewen, Clerk

1-31-68 At Smithfield Monthly Meeting held at Woonsocket January 31, 1968

9 present The minutes of the last meeting are ~~read~~ read and approved.

The Treasurer's report shows a balance of $477.04 in General Fund Dec. 31, 1967.

The Sunshine committee reports that two Get Well cards and one sympathy card sent this month.

1-31-68 Thank-you notes were read from the families of Lewis Follett, Frances Harrall and Mae Todd.

Leona Ewen requests that she be released from the Sunshine Committee. Her request is granted.

Annual reports from the following Committees were read

TREASURER'S REPORT

SMITHFIELD MONTHLY MEETING OF FRIENDS – 1967

Balance on Hand 1-1-67		$607.97
RECEIPTS		
Collections – envelopes	$2347.94	
" – United Budget	460.82	
Invested Funds	770.00	
Rent – Parsonage	797.50	
Sale of Faith & Practice	26.50	
China Camp Fund	100.00	
Relief Fund	100.00	
Ladies Aid	100.00	
Christmas Offering – AFSC	35.35	
Donation – AFSC	25.00	
Miscellaneous	5.17	
	Total Receipts – 1967	4768.28
		5376.25
EXPENSES		
Pastor's Salary	$1470.00	
Ministerial Supply	200.00	
Lagace N.E. Oil Co. – Oil	252.62	
Blackstone Valley Electric Co., Lights	23.20	
City of Woonsocket – Water Parsonage 32.78 Mtg. House 25.00	57.78	
Janitor's Salary	240.00	
Relief Committee	306.04	
American Friends Service Committee	60.35	
Industrial Nat'l. Bank – Stock Purchase	36.40	
R.I. Hospital Trust – Safety Deposit Box	5.00	
Soloist	60.00	
United Budget	735.82	
R.P. Smith Insurance Agency	280.80	
Preservation of Records	25.00	
Carried Forward	3773.01	

TREASURER'S REPORT – CONT.

1-31-68 RECEIPTS - $5376.25

EXPENSES

Brt. Forward	$3773.01
Envelopes – 1966 – 10.95 1967 – 13.32	24.27
China Camp Fund	100.00
Furnace Replacements – Parsonage	95.45
Aluminum Windows & Doors – "	353.50
Painting Parsonage	519.00
Cesspool Cleaning – Parsonage	75.00
Miscellaneous	1.00
Total Expenses 1967	$4921.23
Balance on Hand 12-31-67	455.02

Balance on Hand General Fund 12-31-67	$477.04
" " " Parsonage	22.02 (Deficit)
	$455.02

Kenneth M. Strobel – Treasurer (BSE)

INVESTMENT COMMITTEE

Total Stocks	$7,644.00
Total Bonds	3,101.00
Certificate of Deposit	2,150.00
	12,895.00
Book # 66489 Gen. Fund Conn. Inst. for Savings	4,551.12
	17,446.12
Clara Pitts Fund	2,927.62
	20,373.74
Bank Accounts	5,374.91
	$25,748.65
Principal & Interest held in trust	16,258.67
	$9,489.98 For use of our meeting at the discretion of our Monthly Meeting

By Nellie Fisher

FINANCE COMMITTEE

One meeting of the Finance Committee was held to review the finances of the Meeting and to discuss ways of financing any major projects. No definite decisions were made at this time.

The chairman and Treasurer have reviewed letters requesting funds of the Meeting and made suggestions to Monthly Meeting which organization has the greater

1-31-68 need in accordance with our budget and conscience.
Louise Corrigan, Chairman

RELIEF

Lloyd Arnold reported that the Committee had furnished coal for one family during the year.

MISSIONARY

The following amounts of money represent the contributions given by the Monthly Meeting, Ladies Aid Society and Sunday School to the various mission endeavors of the Meeting for 1967

American Friends Service Committee	$70.35	
China Camp	100.00	
United Church Women	19.00	
United Fund	10.00	
Cancer Fund	10.00	
Committee on Indian Affairs	26.00	
Milk Fund - Woonsocket	5.00	
United Society of Friends Women of New England	71.50	$311.85

Maybaskets were made and given to 14 shut-ins
Thanksgiving gifts were given to 2 families
Christmas gifts were given to 10 shut-ins

A letter from Gordon Browne is read asking for contributions to the Minute 74 committee to help the education of culturally deprived children. We approve of giving $25 to this worthy cause.

A letter from Yearly Meeting offers an opportunity for someone to visit the Meeting. As we do not understand the full purpose of this offer, Clerk is requested to write for more information.

A letter from Earlham School of Religion tells of success in raising funds and thanks the Meeting for contributions from individual members.

It is time for Stastical and Spiritual Condition reports to be made. Clerk and asst Clerk are appointed to make out statiscal report. Ministry and Counsel will

1-31-68 take care of the Spiritual Condition report

Ann DeNevers desires to meet a group of High School students in the Meeting House on Sunday afternoons for counseling. This is in line with the suggested experiment approved at the September, 1967 Monthly Meeting. We approve of granting this request.

Louise Corrigan presents a proposed budget for 1968.

Pastor's Salary	$1000.00
Ministerial Supply	500.00
Janitor's Salary	240.00
United Budget	300.00
Relief Work	200.00
Oil	400.00
Water	20.00
Electricity	30.00
Insurance	280.00
Miscellaneous	80.00
Repairs to Meeting House	250.00
TOTAL	$3300.00

Statistics for Smithfield **Monthly Meeting for 19**67

1. Number of Members last year, DEC 31 1966				85–
2. Additions due to Omissions in last year's Report, DEC 31 1966				
3. Additions by Birth,				
4. Additions by Request, including from another Denomination,	1			
5. Additions by Certificate from another Friends Meeting,				
6. Total Additions,				1
7. Loss due to Removal of persons included by Error in last year's Report, DEC 31 1966				
8. Loss by Death,	5			
9. Loss by Discontinuance, Resignation, or Disownment,	1			
10. Loss by Certificate to another Friends Meeting,				
11. Loss by Letter to another Denomination,	2			
12. Total Loss,				8
13. Number of Members this Year, DEC 31 1967				78
14. Net Gain,				
15. Net Loss,				7
16. Number of Males,	33			
17. Number of Females,	45			
18. Number under 21 years of age,	6			
19. Number of Junior Members,	6			
20. Number of Junior Members Transferred to Active Membership,	—			
21. Number of Resident Members,	58			
22. Number of Non-Resident Members,	20			
23. Average Attendance at Sunday Worship (estimate),	23			
24. Average Attendance of Children at Sunday School,	20			
25. Average Attendance of Adults at Sunday School,	5			
26. Number of Sunday School Classes.	5			

No further business appearing, we conclude.

Respectfully submitted,
Bessie F. Ewen, Clerk

2-28-68 At Smithfield Monthly Meeting of Friends held at Woonsocket, Feb. 28, 1968

The minutes of last meeting are read and approved.

6 present The Treasurer's report shows a balance of $558.86 in General Fund Jan. 31, 1968

The Sunshine committee reports that four valentines were sent to shut-ins.

A thank-you note for flowers in memory of the late Carlton Aldrich is read.

Since the December Monthly Meeting we have lost three members by death.

Carlton J. Aldrich died Dec. 30, 1967. He was a life-long member of the Meeting and attended Sunday School as a child.

Francis Worrall died Jan. 1, 1968 at the age of 83. He was a long-time member and a regular attender until illness prevented

Mae B. Todd a member of this meeting for many years died Jan. 21, 1968 at the age of 92.

2-28-68 She was a member of the Women's Missionary Society and of the Ladies Aid. She was a faithful attender at worship services until ill health prevented.

The statistical report is read and approved, and will be sent to Quarterly Meeting Clerk.

A copy of Congressional Record, and a leaflet on how to support the congressional candidate of your choice are at hand and will be placed on the bulletin board.

A letter from Lelia Taylor explains the purpose of visitation from the Yearly Meeting Committee on Meetings and Extension. They often meet with members of Ministry and Counsel or other interested persons and exchange ideas regarding ways and means of speaking in loving concern to people in our communities. Either March 31 or April 28 are suggested as dates for visitation. Clerk is directed to make arrangements.

The Meeting expresses appreciation for the excellent work done on the annual bulletin by Kenneth Strobel.

Our business being accomplished, we adjourn.

Respectfully submitted,
Bessie F. Ewen, Clerk

3-27-68 At Smithfield Monthly Meeting of Friends held at Woonsocket, R.I., March 27, 1968.

7 present

The Assistant Clerk acted as Clerk in the absence of the Clerk.

The minutes of the last Meeting are read and approved with one correction. Insert "a member of this meeting for many years" in the minute on the death of Mae Todd.

The Treasurer's report shows a balance of $603.40 on hand in General Fund Feb. 29, 1968. Report approved.

The Sunshine committee sent 1 sympathy card and 1 get well card.

The Queries are read and considered.

The following are appointed as representatives to Quarterly Meeting to be held in Providence, April 20, 1968, Bessie Bowen, Eunice Strobel, Louise Corrigan, Melita Fisher, Robert Cool, Lauriston Smith and Floyd Arnold.

The report of the Spiritual Condition is read and approved, and will be sent to Quarterly Meeting Clerk before Quarterly Meeting.

Announcement is made of Friends General Conference and Silent Witness for Peace for those who may wish to take part.

A letter is read from Friends Journal with sample copy enclosed. This is to be placed on the table for perusal.

A letter was read from Merrill Root stating they are feeling much better, and if needed he will be able to be with us on April 7 and/or April 28, 1968. This information to be turned over to Robert Cool.

Robert Cool informed this meeting of the possibility of not being able to be pastor for the coming year due to commitments at Moses Brown School. This matter is turned over to Ministry and Counsel.

Louise Tober, chairman of the Caretakers, asks permission to allow her to hire a worker at $2.00 an hour to do special heavy jobs at the discretion of the. This is approved.

Louise Tober was directed to bring in a price for black-top on the driveway in front of the Meeting House at next Monthly Meeting.

The Annual Report of the Ladies Aid was read with a suggestion that copies be given out at Morning Worship.

Our business being accomplished, we adjourn
Asst. Clerk

4-24-68 At Smithfield Monthly Meeting of Friends held at Woonsocket, R.I. April 24, 1968

8 present

Minutes of last meeting are read and approved.

The Treasurer's report shows a balance of $675.43 in General Fund March 31, 1968. There is an outstanding bill of $265 for new cesspool installed by Walter Keene at the parsonage. Meeting approves of Treasurer paying this bill.

Sunshine committee reports that 26 Easter cards were sent and a lily given to Ernest Aker.

Representatives to Quarterly Meeting, held in Providence April 20, report that all but one attended.

A letter from Friends Committee on National Legislation asks for contributions for annual expenses. We approve of sending $10 to help the fund.

A letter from Friends General Conference urges each Meeting to appoint a representative to a "working conference" to be held in Cape May, N.J. June 21-28. No one from this Meeting appears to be free to attend.

A letter from Central Committee for Conscientious Objectors requests funds to help carry on its work. We approve of sending $10.

A letter from United Budget is read to remind us that the expenses of Yearly Meeting are rising and that the budget for the present year has not been fully met.

A card from Lelia Taylor of Meetings and Extension Committee of Yearly Meeting suggests June 16 for a visitation. Since it is so late in the season, we suggest that the visitation be postponed

4-24-68 until Fall. Clerk is directed to notify Lelia Taylor.

Ministry and Counsel met recently and suggests that a Roll Call Supper be held to stir more interest and enthusiasm in the Meeting. Perhaps Fall would be a better time for this. Leaflets entitled "Who Are the Friends?" (Quakers) have been procured, and will be placed in the hall for people to take.

Since Robert Cool has said that he could be with us for Morning Worship at a nine o'clock service, Ministry and Counsel recommends that we try this. We approve of holding services at nine for the months of May, June and July.

Clerk is requested to write a letter to Walter Keene thanking him for removing snow in the driveway this past winter.

No further business appearing, we conclude.
Bessie F. Ewen, Clerk

5-29-68 At Smithfield Meeting of Friends held at Woonsocket, R.I. May 29, 1968
The Minutes of the last meeting are read and approved
The Treasurer's report shows a balance of $843.84 in General Fund April 30, 1968.

A receipt for the $10 contributed to FCNL has been received.

The Garden Club of North Smithfield requests the use of the Meeting House on Sept. 14 and Oct. 19. The request is granted.

An application for membership has been received from Adeline Randall. Unanimous approval is given. Clerk will notify her of her acceptance.

Ministry and Counsel has been searching for

5-29-68 a minister to serve the Meeting. Two prospects have been located. One could serve full-time, but at a larger salary than the Meeting can afford. The other, a younger man and a student who could serve part time at a lower salary. Clerk is directed to write to Paul Adkins and see what arrangements can be made.

It is suggested that individuals may donate to a fund for China Camp as some of the children from the Meeting plan to attend Camp.

Our business being accomplished, we adjourn.

Bessie F. Ewen, Clerk

6-26-68 At Smithfield Monthly Meeting of Friends held at Woonsocket, R.I. June 26, 1968.

Minutes of last meeting are read and approved.

The Treasurer's report shows a balance of $482 11 in General Fund May 31, 1968.

Sunshine committee reports Get-Well Cards were sent to Leona Ewen and Edna Trask.

A letter from AFSC states there is need of clothing, yard goods and school supplies as well as money. There is special need in Appalachia. This will be mentioned in morning meeting for anyone who cares to contribute.

Queries 2, 4 and 6 have been read and considered prior to appointing representatives to Quarterly Meeting to be held in Westerly July 20. The following are appointed - Ann DeNevers, Lauriston Smith, Ruth E. Smith, Robert Cool, Bessie Ewen, Melita Fisher.

Ministry and Counsel recommends that the Meeting ask Paul Adkins to serve as minister for one year at a salary of $2400 if he can

6-26-68 give us more than Saturday and Sunday, otherwise the sum to be #2100. This is approved, and Clerk is directed to write and inform him.

Robert Cool will not be here next Sunday, and suggests that young people of the Meeting conduct the service. The suggestion is made that the usual amount paid for a supply be credited to the parsonage fund. This is approved.

We welcome as visitors James and Vernah Toothaker from Worcester and David and Jean Bills from Friends University Meeting, Witchita, Kansas. The Bills couple are visiting New England to follow part of the route travelled by George Fox.

Our business being accomplished, we adjourn.

Respectfully submitted,
Bessie F. Ewen, Clerk.

7-28-68 At a special session of Smithfield Monthly Meeting held after Morning Meeting July 28, 1968

A letter of acceptance as Pastor of the Meeting for one year from Paul Adkins was read.

As has been the custom, it was approved that there be no Sunday services during the month of August and the first of September. Services will resume September 8 when the new minister will be with us.

It was brought to our attention that boys from the house below the old Quaker cemetery have been camping in the cemetery. Robert Cool has notified them of the fact that it is a historical cemetery, and the tent has been removed. It is suggested that the cemetery committee check through the summer to see that things are in order.

7-28-68 The Caretakers report that a bid of $260 for concrete around the Meeting House has been received. We approve of having the work done for this amount.

No further business appearing, we adjourn to meet at the call of the Clerk

Respectfully submitted,
Bessie F. Ewen, Clerk

9-25-68 At Smithfield Monthly Meeting of Friends held at Woonsocket September 25, 1968.

Minutes of meetings held in June and July are read and approved.

Treasurer's report shows a balance of $320.40 in General Fund Aug. 31, 1968.

Sunshine committee reports cards were sent to Leona Ewen, Ernest Aker, Lloyd Arnold and Joseph Estes.

Queries 1, 3 and 7 are read and considered, and the following are appointed as representatives to Quarterly Meeting to be held in Worcester October 19, Eunice Strobel, Louise Corrigan, Kenneth Strobel, Lauriston Smith, Ruth C. Smith and Nellie Fisher.

The caretakers report that the concrete apron was laid around the Meeting House during the summer. They present an estimate of $600 from R.A. Bergesson to repair the driveway. The feeling of the Meeting is that since there have been heavy emergency bills for upkeep this year it is wise to postpone the driveway to a later date.

Chairmen of various Committees are requested to present a proposed budget to the Finance Committee by November 1 to make it possible to estimate the financial needs for the coming year.

A letter from Friends World Committee is

9-25-68 read. They need more funds to support an expanded budget. This is referred to the Finance Committee.

A letter offering a book, "Catholic Quakerism— A Vision for All Men," is read. It is felt this is a worthwhile book, and an offer to procure it is gratefully accepted.

A letter from Robert Cool is read. He expresses appreciation for the years he served as pastor, also for the fellowship with the Meeting.

Ministry and Counsel recommends more publicity about the Bible Study classes being presented by Paul Adkins. It is suggested that Ann De Vevers prepare the material. This is approved.

A letter from Robert Taber requests that his name be removed from our membership as he and his family are active in a Church where they now live. Although we regret losing members, this request is granted.

Ministry and Counsel feels that in view of recent occurances where sanctuary has been granted by Churches to young men who wish to avoid serving in the military service, Smithfield Meeting should take a stand against granting sanctuary to anyone who had not registered as a C.O. The Meeting would be willing to discuss the problem and offer any assistance possible within the law.

The Roll Call supper for members and attenders, which was recommended in the Spring, is again brought to our attention. October 26 is suggested as the date and Ruth C. Smith and Laura Follett are appointed as Co-Chairmen of a committee to make arrangements.

Christian Education committee recommends a workshop program for anyone interested. Meeting

9-25-68 will pay for any expense incurred. The Christian Education committee will make arrangements with Edwin Hinshaw who will lead the program.

China Camp rebuilding and renovating program needs $2,000 to carry out plans. They receive only $300 from Yearly Meeting budget, will accept 3 year pledges for $100 or more as well as smaller contributions. It is suggested that the Meeting pledge $300 over a period of three years with individual contributions being gratefully accepted. It is approved.

No further business appearing, we conclude.
Respectfully submitted,
Bessie F. Ewen, Clerk

10-30-68 At Smithfield Monthly Meeting of Friends held at Woonsocket October 30, 1968.

6 present Minutes of the last meeting are read and approved.

The Treasurer's report shows a balance of $520.87 on hand September 30, 1968, with $100 of this earmarked for United Budget.

The Sunshine committee reports a get-well card sent to Leona Ewen and a sympathy card to Mrs. Ernest Aker.

Representatives to Quarterly Meeting report that all attended a joint meeting with Rhode Island Quarterly Meeting at Worcester. It was felt that the joint business meeting with two Clerks and two Recording Clerks was confusing and unwieldy. We approve of recommending that separate business meetings be held.

A request from Peter Dickey of Charlotte, N.C. to have his name removed as a member of Smithfield

10-30-68 Monthly Meeting has been received. A similar request has been sent by Florence Buck of Ill. Since both these members have lived in these communities for a number of years, we approve of granting these requests.

The committee in charge of the recent Roll-Call supper report that it was very successful. There were 48 people in attendance, [illegible] them [illegible].

A request from AFSC for funds to help carry out a program in and around Boston to preserve order in the communities is read. We approve of contributing $35 to this work. A suggestion is made and approved that a fund be included in the yearly budget for AFSC.

Christian Education Committee reports that Elmore Hinshaw can be with us November 25 for a workshop suitable for all ages.

They report subscribing for 2 copies of Colloquy for one year at a cost of $[illegible]. We approve of reimbursing the committee for this item.

Ann DeNevers reports on the counseling program which has been approved by the Meeting. She has worked with about seven people, and would like to enlarge the program. She has contacted Northern Rhode Island Mental Health Clinic which approves of the program. And several doctors approve and offer support. This could be presented as Friends Counseling Center for normal problems of normal people. The work so far has been with referrals from psychologists. A suggestion is made that the Peace & Social Concerns Committee set up a Board to make policies with authority to add more members as needed. This enlarged program would start after the first of January. We approve.

There is a concern for forming a group of young people to meet for discussions and social

10-30-68 times. It is suggested that this be presented to Paul Adkins. We approve.

As the regular time for Monthly Meeting in November is the night before Thanksgiving, it is felt it should be moved to Monday, Nov. 25 at 7 PM to be followed by the workshop program.

No further business appearing, we conclude.

Respectfully submitted,
Bessie F. Owen, Clerk

11-25-68 At Smithfield Monthly Meeting of Friends held at Woonsocket, Nov. 25, 1968

Minutes of last meeting are read and approved.

The Treasurer's report shows a balance of $251.26 on hand in General Fund Oct. 31 1968.

Sunshine committee reports a Get Well card sent to Floyd Arnold and Thanksgiving cards to Rachel Smith and Mrs. Carver.

A letter from AFSC thanks the Meeting for the contribution sent to further their work in the Boston area.

Chairmen of committees are reminded that annual reports are due at the December meeting.

The nominating committee states that a report will be ready at the next meeting.

Edwin Hinshaw, Youth Sec. for Yearly Meeting presented a program on Christian Education at the close of the business meeting. It brought to our attention the changes in our world; smaller due to communications today, constant moving of people from one community to another, and the implications of the space programs. Some hints on better methods of teaching in Sunday School were given and discussed. It was suggested that a copy of the Standard Revised Version of the Bible be presented to members of Sunday School when they reach the upper classes.

Meeting adjourned to meet Dec. 30 at 7 P.M.

Respectfully submitted
Bessie S. Owen, Clerk

1-29-69 At Smithfield Monthly Meeting of Friends held at Woonsocket, Jan. 29, 1969

The Assistant Clerk conducted the meeting in the absence of Bessie Owen, Clerk who is ill.

The Treasurer's reports for November and December are read. The November report shows a balance of $307.21 in General Fund. Balance on hand Dec. 31 1968 is $136.37. Reports are approved with a question on "Repairs to Parsonage $9.85" in November report.

Sunshine committee reports 6 get-well cards sent during November and December and Christmas gifts and cards to 6 shut-ins.

Literature from AFSC is turned over to Peace and Social Concerns Committee.

Christmas greetings from Robert Cook are read and placed on the bulletin board, and referred to from the pulpit.

Letters from Friends World Conference and Friends General Conference requesting money are discussed. No action taken.

Letters from "Committee of 100" and Hampton Centennial Fund are referred to Peace and Social Concerns.

Newsletters from A.F.S.C. will be placed on table in foyer.

1-29-69 A letter from Tom Bodine is read - a request for additional contribution to United Fund. It was decided the Meeting is not able to contribute over and above our regular United Budget.

It was approved that the Meeting contribute $10 to Central Committee for Conscientious Objectors and $15 to Minute 74 committee, this in answer to requests for funds.

It is approved that Robert Cool and Paul Adkins prepare report on Spiritual condition

It is suggested and approved that Easter Program folders be purchased.

Annual reports were given by the following committees:

Ministry and Counsel

Five meetings were held during 1968 with Louise Corrigan being named Clerk.

Bessie Owen and Ruth Smith with Robert Cool as alternate were named representatives to Quarterly Meeting on Ministry and Counsel to consider recommendations for revitalizing the Meetings on Ministry and Counsel. No follow-up has been known to take place.

Queries were studied at each meeting with members searching their own consciences on how to improve our Church community. Members are to encourage old and new Friends to attend Meeting for worship.

"Who Are Friends?" by Seth Hinshaw was approved for distribution during meetings.

Revitalization of our membership took place by sending letters to non-resident members and Junior members to change their status to full members. Three non-resident members' names were withdrawn.

Ministry and Counsel suggested the hiring of Paul Adkins as pastor at a salary of $2400, with $300 of this fee for transportation.

Ministry and Counsel approved Adeline Randall for membership.

Respectfully submitted,
Louise Corrigan, Clerk

1-29-69

Sunshine Committee

To Smithfield Monthly Meeting of Friends.

Report of Sunshine Committee for 1968

The following cards were sent:
14 Get Well, 2 Sympathy, 4 Valentine, 1 Easter, 2 Thanksgiving and 6 Christmas.

On some particular days I only sent cards to those who were really sick.

Valentines were sent to those who could not get out to Church.

For Christmas, boxes of powder, bars of diabetic chocolate were sent to six "shut-ins." We were saddened by the loss of two before the gifts were delivered.

Visits were made to Lila Smith, Grace McNamara & Norwenna Tabor.

Respectfully submitted,
Melita B. Fisher

Caretakers

Through the year the caretakers were busy and had the following done —

Rewired and repaired light on organ
Fixed light on lectern
The two front doors have been made workable, and a new lock installed.
Rewrapped the pipes in the hallway
Cleaned and waxed upstairs floors
A cesspool made for the parsonage
Ladies toilet tank repaired
Storage room cleaned and whitened
A window was replaced
A new concrete apron around the Church
Many minor repairs.

Louise Tabor.

Investment Committee

Total Stocks		8,140.00
" (Bonds)		3,050.00
Certificate of Deposit		2,150.00
		13,340.00
Hosp. Inst. Savings - General Fund		1,299.12 *
		14,639.12
Clara Pitts Fund	2,927.62	
Bank Accounts	5,578.68	8,506.30
		23,145.42
Prin + Interest held in Trust →		12,488.89
For use of meeting at discretion of Monthly Meeting		10,656.53

1-29-69 * During the year 1968 the General Fund was increased by $500 from the Estate of Mae B. Todd and by $248 from the sale of 32 shares of Providence Washington Insurance Co. The $248 is to be reinvested. It is temporarily held in the account at Woonsocket Institution for Savings, Book #66489.

Summary of Book Balances and Securities held by Smithfield Monthly Meeting of Friends.

Investment Committee:

Nellie Fisher Louise Tober
Lester Tober Lloyd Arnold
Kenneth Strobel ex officio

TREASURER'S REPORT

SMITHFIELD MONTHLY MEETING OF FRIENDS – 1968

Balance of hand January 1, 1968		$455.02
RECEIPTS		
Collections – Envelopes	$2556.54	
– United Budget	550.60	
Invested Funds	817.10	
Rent - Parsonage	702.50	
China Camp	114.00	
Mae B. Todd - Flower (In lieu of)	30.00	
Estate of Mae B. Todd	500.00	
Sales of Stocks - Disbandment of Company	1248.00	
Estate of Carlton Aldrich	100.00	
Ladies Aid Society	100.00	
Miscellaneous	19.10	6737.84
Total Receipts – 1965		7192.86

EXPENSES		
Pastoral Salary and Supply		$3765.00
Janitor's Salary		240.00
Soloist		75.00
Heat		476.23
Lights		37.90
Water Meeting House	20.00	
Parsonage	26.88	46.88
Relief Fund		206.33
John Taylor - United Budget		850.60
Janitor's Supplies & Outside Labor		49.39
Return to Invested Funds		1745.00
Carried Forward		5495.33

TREASURER'S REPORT CONT.

1-29-69 RECEIPTS			7192.86
EXPENSES			
Br't Forward		5493.33	
Improvements:			
New Lock-Mtg. House	21.00		
Carport - Parsonage	265.00		
Cement Apron-Mtg. House	260.00		
Plumbing - Parsonage	29.85	575.85	
China Camp		114.00	
Christian Education Committee		16.45	
Minute 74		25.00	
Committee on Nat. Legislation		10.00	
" on C. Os.		10.00	
American Friends Service Comm.		25.00	
R.I. Hosp Trust (Safe Deposit Box)		10.00	
Miscellaneous		28.83	
R. P. Smith - Insurance		256.80	
Traveling Expense - New Pastor Interview		84.85	&
Total Expenses - 1968			6652.14
Balance on hand 12/31/68			540.72

Balance on Hand - General Fund 12/31/68	136.37
Parsonage Fund	404.35
	540.72

Kenneth [illegible] - Treasurer

FINANCE COMMITTEE

The Finance Committee met to evaluate the old ~~[illegible]~~ budget and to formulate a new budget. Herein is the proposed budget for 1969. We submit this to Monthly Meeting for approval.

Budget for 1969

Pastor's Salary	2400.00
Pastor's Travel Allowance	220.00
Ministerial Supply	100.00
Janitor's Salary	240.00
United Budget	325.00
Relief Fund	200.00
Heat	500.00
Water	20.00
Carried Forward	4005.00

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Proposed Budget Cont.

Brought Forward		$4005.00
Electricity		40.00
Insurance		280.00
Miscellaneous (paper, envelopes, supplies) safety deposit, etc		80.00
Caretakers' Committee:		
Painting Meeting House	$1500.00	
Asphalt to Driveway	700.00	2200.00
Christian Education Committee		50.00
Peace & Social Concerns Committee		50.00
Christian Outreach (to be allocated by monthly mtg)		100.00
China Camp Building Fund		100.00
Total Proposed Budget		6905.00

Louise Corrigan, Chairman

The nominating committee of Smithfield Monthly Meeting of Friends submits the following slate of officers and committees.

OFFICERS

CLERK	Bessie F. Ewen
ASST. CLERK	Louise Corrigan
Treasurer	Kenneth M. Strobel
Asst. Treasurer	Lester Taber

ELDERS

1969	1970	1971
Bessie F. Ewen	Joseph C. Estes	Lloyd Arnold
Wilma Smith	Lauriston Smith	Melita Fisher
Louise Corrigan	Robert Cool	Leslie Follett

COMMITTEES

INVESTMENT - Nellie Fisher, Lloyd Arnold, Lester Taber, Louise Taber, Kenneth Strobel Ex-officio.

FINANCE & STEWARDSHIP - Louise Corrigan, Lester Taber, Wilma Smith, Robert Mowry, Ruth C. Smith, Nellie Fisher & Kenneth Strobel, Ex-officio.

RELIEF - Lloyd Arnold, Ruth C. Smith, Laura Follett.

CARETAKERS - Louise Taber, Lester Taber, Leslie Follett, Lauriston Smith, Nellie Fisher.

CHRISTIAN EDUCATION - Eunice Strobel, Marjorie Doyle, Cynthia Mowry, Adeline Rendall, Nellie Fisher Ex-officio.

PEACE & SOCIAL CONCERNS - Ann DeNevers, Lloyd Arnold, Robert Cool, Melita Fisher

SUNSHINE - Melita Fisher, Louise Corrigan, Ruth L. Smith, Priscilla Acard.

MISSIONARY - Bessie F. Ewen, Grace McNamara, 1-29-69 Ruth C. Smith, Laura Follett.

CEMETERIES Mapleville - Joseph Estes
Woonsocket - Bettye Owen, Kenneth Smith
Robert Mowry
East Blackstone - Ernest Smith, Leslie Follett,

FLOWERS - Dorothy Mowry, Laura Follett, Beatrice Mowry,
Wilma Smith, Marion Ross, Adeline Randall

USHERS - Lester Taber, Lauriston Smith, Kenneth Strobel.

JUNIOR USHERS - Richard Keene, Jaffrey Keene, Douglas Keene,
John McLean, Robert Mowry, Jr., Allen Brooks

MUSIC - Lloyd Arnold, Melita Fisher, Louise Taber,
Ruth L. Smith

NOMINATING - Melita Fisher, Eunice Strobel, Kenneth Strobel,
Eleanor Mowry.

Nominating Committee - 1968
Nellie M. Fisher, Lester Taber, Kenneth M. Strobel,
Louise Taber

Statistics for Smithfield Monthly Meeting for 1968

1. Number of Members last year, DEC 31 1967	78			78
2. Additions due to Omissions in last year's Report, DEC 31 1967				
3. Additions by Birth,				
4. Additions by Request, including from another Denomination,	1			
5. Additions by Certificate from another Friends Meeting,				
3-2-69 6. Total Additions,				
7. Loss due to Removal of persons included by Error in last year's Report, DEC 31 1967	1			
8. Loss by Death,	4			
9. Loss by Discontinuance, Resignation, or Disownment,	3			
10. Loss by Certificate to another Friends Meeting,				
11. Loss by Letter to another Denomination,				
12. Total Loss,	8			
13. Number of Members this Year, DEC 31 1968	71			
14. Net Gain,				
15. Net Loss,	7			
16. Number of Males,	30			
17. Number of Females,	41			
18. Number under 21 years of age,	4			
19. Number of Junior Members,	5			
20. Number of Junior Members Transferred to Active Membership,				
21. Number of Resident Members,	55			
22. Number of Non-Resident Members,	16			
23. Average Attendance at Sunday Worship (estimate),	23			
24. Average Attendance of Children at Sunday School,	20			
25. Average Attendance of Adults at Sunday School,	10			
26. Number of Sunday School Classes.	7			

The North Smithfield Garden Club requested the use of the Meeting House on March 8. This was approved.

Respectfully submitted,

Asst Clerk

3-2-69 At Smithfield Monthly Meeting of Friends held at Woonsocket March 2, 1969, postponed from Feb. 2 on account of severe snowstorm.

Minutes of last meeting were by-passed

Treasurer's report shows a balance of $260.98 on hand in General Fund.

A note of thanks from Rachel Smith for Christmas remembrance was read.

At last Monthly Meeting, Paul Adkins and Robert Cool were appointed to prepare a report of the spiritual condition of the Meeting. Robert Cool declined and recommended Lloyd Arnold. This suggestion was approved.

The North Smithfield Garden Club requested the use of the Meeting House on March 8. This was approved.

3-2-69 The Minister's Association of Woonsocket is working to raise a fund of $900 to provide transportation for a coordinator to arrange for people to help residents of Bourdon Blvd. with transportation baby sitting and other needs which may arise. The Rhode Island Council of Churches has offered to provide the Co-ordinator, and each Church in the area has been asked to contribute toward the $900 fund. The Meeting approved of giving $20 toward this fund. Contributions from individuals will be very acceptable.

As Smithfield Monthly Meeting was founded in 1719, it has been suggested that some sort of program be prepared in observance of the 250th anniversary. The following are appointed as a Committee to prepare a program — Lester & Louise Taber, Doris Mowry, Melita Fisher and Lloyd Arnold.

Roland and Shirley Renaud are to move to Colorado where he has a new job. They ask permission to leave furniture in the parsonage until they get settled. A suggestion is made that Paul Adkins could make use of the parsonage on week-ends if he wishes. Shirley is willing to have him use her furnishings, and a suggestion that the parsonage be left as is until the first of May is approved.

Our business being accomplished, we conclude,

Respectfully, Bessie F. Ewen, Clerk.

3-26-69 At Smithfield Meeting of Friends held at Woonsocket March 26, 1969.

Minutes of last meeting are read and approved.

The Treasurer's report shows a balance of in General Fund Feb. 28, 1969

The Sunshine Committee reports Get Well cards sent to Ernest Smith, Robert Mowry, Jr. and Cynthia Mowry.

The statistical report is read and approved and

3-26-69 will be sent to Clerk of Quarterly Meeting.

Report of the Spiritual Condition is read and approved and will be sent to Quarterly Meeting.

Memorials

Addie G Paine, a life long member of Smithfield Monthly Meeting of Friends passed to her reward on Dec. 12, 1968 after a long illness. She had been a patient in St. Elizabeth's home for fifteen years.

Much of the time, she was bedridden and in pain but always greeted visitors with a smile, inquiring for friends in and out of the Meeting — interested in all their activities.

She will be remembered as an excellent Sunday School teacher in the Primary Department, as well as an accomplished pianist.

Her life was a challenge to all of us.

On December 26, 1968, Leona A. Ewen, oldest member of the Meeting went to her eternal rest. She was a long-time member and was keenly interested in the affairs of the Meeting. She was a member of the Missionary Society, a faithful attender at meetings for worship, and an active member of the Ladies Aid for many years up to the time of her death, which occurred three days before her 89th birthday.

Queries 8, 9 and 11 are read and considered. Representatives to Quarterly Meeting are Lloyd Arnold, Ruth Smith, Lauriston Smith, Laura and Leslie Follett, Bessie Ewen and Nellie Fisher

A suggestion is made that the parsonage be available for Paul Adkins to use through the summer. Caretakers ask permission to provide a timer for lights in the parsonage when no one is there. We approve.

Clerk is directed to write to Shirley Renaud, ask if furnishings are insured, and if she would

3-26-69 care to sell anything, also notify her that Paul Adkins will occupy the parsonage through the summer.

Paul Adkins reported that the Youth Fellowship recently visited Marathon House, a rehabilitation center for young drug addicts, and donated $16 toward the work there. The young people will be notified that they are welcome to attend business meetings and report activities whenever they wish.

Our business being accomplished, we adjourn.
Bessie F. Ewen, Clerk

4-30-69 At Smithfield Monthly Meeting of Friends held at Woonsocket, April 30, 1969.

Minutes of last meeting are read and approved.

7 present

Treasurer's report shows a balance of $218.36 in General Fund March 31, 1969.

Sunshine Committee reports Easter cards were sent to Ernest Smith, Edna Trask, and Sarah Henderson; Get Well cards were sent to Ernest Smith and Ruth C Smith.

Representatives to Quarterly meeting report that four attended.

The matter of Rhode Island and Smithfield Quarterly Meetings combining to one Quarterly Meeting is discussed following reading of a letter from Harold Myers and Willard Ware.

COPY OF LETTER

Bessie Ewen, Clerk
Smithfield Monthly Meeting
Dear Bessie Ewen,

Rhode Island and Smithfield Quarterly Meetings in joint session at Woonsocket, R.I., April 19, 1969, agree to forward a request for a union of the two Quarterly Meetings to the Yearly Meeting, with the understanding

4-30-69 that the Monthly Meetings of both Quarterly Meetings will have another chance to consider the matter before the Yearly Meeting sessions in 6th Month. Any Monthly Meeting not favoring the union should so inform the clerks of both Quarterly Meetings before the Yearly Meeting convenes.

If the union is approved, a committee, or committees, will be appointed at our 7th Month Meeting to study matters relative to the union, as affecting funds now belonging to both Quarterly Meetings, and a new name for the Quarterly Meeting, and report at a subsequent Meeting, or as the Meeting may determine.

Sincerely thine,
Harold Myers
Clerk of Rhode Island Quarterly Meeting
Willard Nace
Clerk of Smithfield Quarterly Meeting

April 23, 1969

We approve of the conditions set forth in the letter.

A letter from Antioch College asking for financial aid will be placed on the bulletin board.

A letter from Linda Townsend, Berkeley, Calif. urges us to write our Senators and Representatives objecting to the ABM defense system will be placed on the bulletin board.

The Rhode Island Council of Churches requests funds to help carry on their work. We approve of sending $5.

Thyra Jane Foster noticed the record book in the hall, which we have used as a guest book, when she was at Quarterly Meeting and felt it should be placed in the vault with the archives. The feeling of this Meeting is that we should like to keep it for

4-30-69 a while.

A letter from the Archives committee asks our opinion about storing some Quaker materials with the Rhode Island Historical Society. This will give students and historians access to these materials for information. They will be properly stored and cared for. We approve of this.

The Treasurer states that a bill for insurance is due and there is not enough in General Fund to pay it. We approve of using money from the parsonage fund as needed.

The caretakers are given authority to have loam placed around the concrete apron. They are requested to bring in an estimate for painting the Meeting House and one for resurfacing the driveway.

A suggestion is made that the All American Hymnals be used exclusively since there are not enough Pilgrim Hymnals to go around.

No further business appearing, we adjourn.
Bessie F. Ewen, Clerk

5-28-69 At Smithfield Monthly Meeting of Friends held at Woonsocket, R.I. May 28, 1969.

4 present

In the absence of the Clerk, Louise Corrigan, Asst. Clerk conducted the meeting.

Minutes of the last meeting are read and approved.

The Treasurer's report shows a balance of $76.70 in General Fund April 30, 1969.

The question of putting money from the Parsonage Fund into General Fund for current expenses will be decided at next Monthly Meeting.

5-28-69 The Sunshine committee reports a Get Well card was sent to Ernest Smith.

A notice from FCNL reminds us we have not sent a contribution this year, and that the subscription to the Newsletter expires with the next issue. We approve of sending $10 to this Committee.

The record book mentioned in minutes of last Monthly Meeting turns out not to belong to Smithfield Meeting. It was given to Robert Cool by a woman in Newport and contains some early records of the Newport Meeting, so belongs in the vault with other records.

Yearly Meeting requests that one or more persons be appointed as representative(s) ~~to~~ "observe" proceedings. This is to try out direct appointment by Monthly Meetings. We appoint Bessie Ewen to attend Yearly Meeting at Taft School, Watertown, Conn. June 23-28.

We have a request from Marcia Smith Rust to transfer her membership to Unadilla Friends Meeting, Unadilla, N.Y. We approve of granting this request with regrets.

A request for a copy of Faith and Practice has been received from Nancy Smith Pennine. There are no extra copies on hand at present. Paperbacks are $1.50 and hard covers $3.00, or were when first published. A copy was found and sent to Nancy Pennine, and Meletta Fisher is authorized to purchase six paperback copies of Faith and Practice.

A request from AFSC for funds to carry out a children's progam is tabled for the present due to lack of funds.

This is the time to consider changing the time of morning worship for the summer. We approve of holding the service at 10 o'clock starting June 22 to

5-28-69 the end of July.

Ministry and Counsel recommends hiring Paul Adkins for another year with a possible raise in salary. We approve of a 10% raise to $2640 for the year. Clerk of Ministry & Counsel and ~~Clerk~~ Chairman of Christian Education the Meeting are appointed to wait upon him.

A suggestion is made by Ministry and Counsel that a class of instructions in Quaker faith be formed, especially for young adults. This is approved and Eunice Strobel and Louise Corrigan are appointed to set up the class.

No bids for painting the Meeting House and repairing the driveway are presented; they will be requested for the next Monthly Meeting.

The unprogrammed meeting for worship held last Sunday gave great spiritual value to those who attended.

Lloyd Arnold asks to be replaced on Ministry and Counsel as he will moving to Tennessee in the summer, regretfully. This will be referred to the nominating committee.

Next Monthly Meeting will be held June 30 as the scheduled time falls during Yearly Meeting.

No further business appearing, we conclude.
Asst. Clerk

6-30-69 At Smithfield Monthly Meeting of Friends held at Woonsocket, R.I. June 30, 1969.

Minutes of last meeting are read and approved with a change from Clerk of the Meeting to Chairman of Christian Education as one of a committee to meet with Paul Adkins to make agreement for him to serve as pastor for another year.

Treasurer's report shows a balance of $93.55 in

6-30-69 General Fund May 31, 1969.

Sunshine committee reports a sympathy card was sent to Edna Pratt.

A thank-you note is read from Edna Pratt.

Nominating committee has no report on a replacement for Lloyd Arnold to finish his term as an elder.

A request for a transfer of membership to St. Peter's Episcopal Church, Narragansett was received from Sibyl Dowling early this month. As she was to be admitted on June 15, Clerk sent a letter of transfer. This is approved.

After a discussion about expenses and the low balance in General Fund, it was approved that the Parsonage Fund be transferred to General Fund for current expenses.

This is the time to appoint representative to Quarterly Meeting. First, Queries 3, 9 and 12 are read and considered. The following are appointed to attend Quarterly Meeting, Lloyd Arnold, Bessie Ewen, Lauriston and Ruth C. Smith, Melita Fisher.

A letter from Committee on Indian Affairs contains centennial program, and offers an opportunity to have Rachel Osborne tell about work among the Kickapoo Indians in Oklahoma. It is approved that we ask her to come July 13 and speak at Morning Meeting.

A letter from Bucks Quarterly Meeting in Southampton, Pa. encloses a copy of statement sent to Senators in U. S. Congress and urges families to sign and send to their Senators.

Caretakers report a bid of $984 from A. Morin + Sons for painting outside of Meeting house and doing necessary minor repairs. As this firm has always done satisfactory work for us, it is approved that they do the job even though they are the only bidders. E. Brodeur and

6-30-69 present a bid of $185 for making blinds for the front of the meeting house. We approve of the committee ordering these.

The Investment Committee is authorized to use invested funds to cover these expenses.

The Clerk reports that Paul Adkins has graciously agreed to serve as pastor for another year.

Our business being concluded, we adjourn to meet at the call of the Clerk.

Bessie F. Ewen, Clerk

9-24-69 At Smithfield Monthly Meeting of Friends held at Woonsocket, R. I. Sept. 24, 1969.

Minutes of last meeting are read and approved.

Treasurer's report for months of June, July and August is read and shows a balance of $445.63 in General Fund Aug. 31, 1969.

Sunshine committee reports a card was sent to Mrs. Sarah Henderson.

Representatives to Quarterly Meeting held at No. Dartmouth in July report that all attended. Most of that meeting was concerned with the union of Rhode Island and Smithfield Quarterly Meetings.

Queries 5, 7 and 10 are read and considered, after which representatives to Quarterly Meeting to be held in Providence, Oct. 18 are appointed — Melita Fisher, Lauriston Smith, Eunice Strobel, Ernest and Ruth L. Smith.

Notice is received that the subscription to F C N L newsletter has expired. We approve of renewing this.

A letter has been received from Child Welfare Services announcing that there is a need for "shelter homes" for children who need care temporarily.

9-24-69 Anyone caring to take part in this program may get in touch through the Clerk.

American Friends Service Committee requests contributions. As our funds are low, it is suggested and approved that this be deferred to a later date.

The Committee of 100 also is raising funds. Although this is a worthy cause, we do not have the money to support them at this time.

The Minute 74 committee asks support of scholarship funds. As Yearly Meeting supports this in the budget, we feel we should not help them at this time.

The caretakers report that the Meeting House has been painted outside, and new blinds have been made and installed. Everyone considers it a good job and feel pleased with it.

It is brought to the attention of the Meeting that Mrs. Louise Allen inquired about the use of the fund left by Henrietta Pendleton for flowers. It is felt that she should not be concerned about this, and Clerk is requested to notify her that it has been managed as designated in letter sent to the Meeting.

The parsonage is available for rent again, and the Meeting approves of asking $75 a month. Clerk is authorized to contact families who have applied, house to be rented to first one who agrees to terms.

The ~~Investment~~ Nominating committee reports that Ruth L. Smith has consented to serve on the music committee, possibly as Chairman now that Lloyd Arnold has moved away. Other vacancies will be filled at the end of the year.

The Investment committee reports receipt of a letter from the Yearly Meeting Friends Board of Managers of Investments and Permanent Funds relative to handling our Invested Funds. They request an inventory.

9-24-69 As this seems to be a safer way of handling these funds, we approve of the Investment Committee making arrangements for the transfer of said funds to the care of the Yearly Meeting committee.

During the summer, the Meeting received a bill of $25 for insurance on the East Blackstone Meeting House property. As we had never had this to pay previously it was questioned. After a discussion about ownership it was approved that we pay it. The Committee which was appointed to look up the agreement with East Blackstone Meeting House Assoc. is reminded to look into this matter.

A check for $250 was received from Maria R. Jewell during the summer with the notation - "In memory of my maternal grandmother, Mary Ann Leavitt Favreau, who was once a Quaker". Clerk is directed to write a note of thanks.

The matter of looking after the heat in the Meeting House is before us. Lester and Louise Taber have tended to this the past year and a half and feel that someone else should be responsible. This brings up the problem of a janitor once more. Would it be possible to locate a retired man who would be willing to do the job? No conclusion is reached, and Lauriston Smith has volunteered to tend to the heat for the present.

Our business being accomplished, we conclude.
Bessie F. Ewen, Clerk

10-29-69 At Smithfield Monthly Meeting of Friends held at Woonsocket, Oct. 29, 1969

Minutes of last meeting are read and approved.

The Treasurer's report shows a balance of $471.[illegible] on hand in General Fund.

8 present

The Sunshine committee reports that Get Well cards were sent to E. Merrill Root and Walter Smith.

10-29-69 Representatives to Quarterly Meeting report that all attended. The Meeting was held at Providence Meeting House Oct. 18 at which time final steps were taken to unite Smithfield and Rhode Island Quarterly Meetings. The name chosen for the new Quarter is Rhode Island Smithfield.

A letter from Jeanette and Loren Hadley describes a book, "The Alaskan Diary of a Pioneer Quaker Missionary" by Martha E. Hadley who was at Friends Mission at Kotzebue, Alaska from 1899-1903. This is recommended to all Monthly Meetings. No action is taken.

A note of thanks from the North Smithfield Garden Club for use of the Meeting House ~~on~~ Sept. 27 is read. Another note from the chairman for the "Day in September" enclosed a check for Ten Dollars in appreciation for using the Meeting House.

A request has been received from the Garden Club for the use of the Meeting House on November 8 and December 13 for their business meetings. We approve of granting this request.

Ministry and Counsel met Monday night and recommend that members of the Meeting be reminded that they should feel responsible to call on members who suddenly stop attending morning meeting. It is suggested and approved that the Elders meet and arrange for regular visitation.

The parsonage is rented to the George Martinelli family. The tenant has offered to do janitor work for a reduction of $30 a month from the rent. The Clerk is to contact Mr. Martinelli with Louise Faber and make arrangements for him to do the work, as it seems advisable to have someone near the Meeting House look after the property.

10-29-69 It is the feeling of the Meeting that Richard McNamara needs the assistance of what he earned as janitor. We approve of continuing to supply him with the $20 each month. Clerk is directed to notify him of the arrangements.

A letter from the Friends Board of Managers of Investments Committee is read, and the chairman of the Investment committee is authorized to continue making arrangements to transfer our funds to their care.

The Music committee has located a man, Paul Pelletier, who plays violin and sings at a fee of $10. The Meeting approves of having him once a month. The Committee are to meet with him Saturday night and hire him if satisfactory arrangements can be made.

It is felt that there should be new Bibles in the pews for use of attenders. We approve of purchasing 12 copies of the Revised Standard Version at a cost of $1.10 each, after examining a sample book.

Louise Faber reports for the 250th Anniversary Committee that they have inquired about having a booklet printed giving a history of Smithfield Monthly Meeting. The price for 100 copies is too expensive for the treasury. A suggestion is made that families in the Meeting be contacted to see if they would be willing to purchase copies or sponsor cost of printing. If enough interest is shown, it is approved that the Meeting dip into invested funds.

No further business appearing, we conclude.

Bessie F. Owen, Clerk

11-28-69 At Smithfield Monthly Meeting of Friends held at Woonsocket, R.I. Nov. 28, 1969.

Minutes of last meeting are read and approved.

Treasurer's report shows a balance of $439.24 on hand in General Fund.

The Sunshine committee reports get well cards were sent to Bessie Ewen and Maurice Smith, and Thanksgiving cards to four people.

A request is received for a minute from this Meeting granting permission for transfer of securities and invested funds to Yearly Meeting Committee of Invested Funds. The Clerk is authorized to make out a minute with the help of Nellie Fisher.

A suggestion is made by Melita Fisher, chairman of the nominating committee that a person be appointed as historian of the Meeting. We approve of this being done.

Kenneth Strobel states that the Meeting agreed a year ago to contribute $300 to China Camp building fund, to be paid over a period of three years. To date, no payment has been made. The Meeting approves of sending $200 at this time, the balance in 1970.

The Treasurer reports that a bequest has been received from the Eunice Meader estate in the amount of $400. She was a former member of the Meeting, and an active member of the Women's Missionary Society.

On November 2, Morwenna Tellier died at the age of 80 after a long illness. She is remembered for her beautiful singing and faithful attendance at meetings for worship. She also was active in the Ladies Aid for a number of years.

No further business appearing, we conclude

Bessie F. Ewen, Clerk

12-31-69 At Smithfield Meeting of Friends held at Woonsocket, R I, December 31, 1969.

Minutes of last meeting are read and approved.

Treasurer's report shows a balance of $496.58 in General Fund November 30, 1969.

Sunshine committee committee reports that six Christmas cards and five gifts were sent to shut ins.

The nominating committee presents the following list of officers and committees for 1970.

Clerk	Bessie F. Ewen
Assistant Clerk	Ruth C. Smith
Treasurer	Kenneth M Strobel
Asst. Treasurer	Louise Corrigan

ELDERS

1970	1971	1972
Joseph C. Estes	Marion Ross	Eunice Strobel
Lauriston Smith	Leslie Follett	Ann De Nevers
Robert N. Cool	Melita Fisher	Ruth C. Smith

COMMITTEES

INVESTMENT — Nellie Fisher, Lester Taber, Louise Taber, Lloyd Arnold, Kenneth Strobel, exofficio
(This committee to be discontinued by Monthly Meeting)

FINANCE & STEWARDSHIP — Louise Corrigan, Robert Mowry, Wilma Smith, Lauriston Smith, Martha Smith. Nellie Fisher, & Kenneth Strobel, Ex-officio

RELIEF — Ruth C. Smith, Laura Follett

CARETAKERS — Louise Taber, Lester Taber, Nellie Fisher, Leslie Follett, Lauriston Smith.

CHRISTIAN EDUCATION — Eunice Strobel, Marjorie Doyle, Eleanor Mowry, Adeline Randall, Nellie Fisher Ex-officio

PEACE AND SOCIAL CONCERNS — Ann De Nevers, Melita Fisher, Doris Mowry.

SUNSHINE — Melita Fisher, Louise Corrigan, Ruth L. Smith

MISSIONARY — Bessie Ewen, Laura Follett, Ruth L. Smith

CEMETERIES — MAPLEVILLE — Joseph Estes
WOONSOCKET — Robert Mowry
EAST BLACKSTONE — Leslie Follett

HEAD USHER — Kenneth Strobel

MUSIC — Ruth L. Smith, Louise Taber, Melita Fisher

12-31-69 FLOWERS – Dorothy Mowry, Laura Follett, Beatrice Mowry, Wilma Smith, Marion Ross, Adeline Randall

NOMINATING – Lester Tober, Marjorie Doyle, Lauriston Smith, Nellie Fisher

The following minutes was sent to the Yearly Meeting committee on Investments:

Smithfield Monthly Meeting of Friends hereby authorizes the Investment Committee to turn over to the Yearly Meeting Board of Managers of Investments and Permanent Funds securities and cash available for reinvestment. Bessie F. Ewen, Clerk.

A letter from Richard McNamara thanks the Meeting for continuing his janitor's salary even though he no longer does the work.

A letter from the Clerk of Unadilla Monthly Meeting, in New York states that Marcia Rust Smith was welcomed as a member of that Meeting last July.

Requests for funds from A F S C and the Central Committee for Conscientious Objectors are read. As our treasury is low at present, these are tabled until the next monthly meeting.

A notice from Quaker Life informs us that listing in the Local Meeting Directory will cost 30¢ a line per issue due to rising costs of publishing. We approve of continuing our listing at this price.

Committees are reminded that annual reports are due at the January meeting.

Paul Adkins mentions that several visitors attended the Youth meeting last Sunday night. There is a search for a meeting place for young people in Woonsocket, and they are looking for support. This problem will be turned over to the Peace and Social Concerns committee for study and suggestions.

12-31-69

The janitor problem is not yet settled. It has looked as if no work was done some weeks. After a discussion, a committee is appointed to meet with the janitor and discuss his duties. We appoint Lauriston Smith and Laura Follett to serve with the Clerk.

The committee which was appointed to plan for observance of the 250th anniversary of Smithfield Meeting of Friends has worked long and faithfully to make this a memorable year.

The first program was the Sunday school picnic held in June at Diamond Hill Reservation. About fifty people attended and enjoyed an afternoon of games.

The last Sunday in July, due to showers, an indoor "lawn party" was held following morning meeting and was enjoyed by a large number of people. This was also a farewell to Lloyd and Gertrude Arnold, who moved to Tennessee the first part of August. Lloyd was presented a plaque and purse in appreciation of his many years of service to the Meeting.

A covered dish supper was held November 22 when Louise Taber gave a history of the Meeting.

A public supper and bazaar was held the first Saturday in December in connection with the anniversary.

The final program was held December 14 with a special worship program followed by a luncheon. Several members dressed in Quaker costumes, and there was a display of books, pictures and newspaper clippings which refreshed our memories of former members. Several visitors from the Providence Meeting attended, and everyone enjoyed the social hour.

Since the final program a congratulatory letter has been received from President and Mrs. Nixon.

The Meeting appreciates the time and effort spent by Lester and Louise Taber and Melita and Nellie Fisher.

Our business being accomplished, we conclude.

Bessie F. Ewen, Clerk

THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

December 22, 1969

TO THE MEMBERS OF THE SMITHFIELD
MONTHLY MEETING OF FRIENDS

My warmest greetings go out to you as you complete two and a half centuries of dedicated service to God and to your community.

Your adherence to the cherished traditions of our Quaker heritage strengthens me in the responsibilities of leadership. And your prayers and good works are a constant source of comfort.

Mrs. Nixon joins me in expressing our congratulations to you on this occasion, and in extending our best wishes to you for all the years ahead.

Richard Nixon

1-28-70 At Smithfield Monthly Meeting of Friends held at Woonsocket, R. I., Jan. 28, 1970

Minutes of last meeting are read and approved.

7 present The Treasurer's report shows a balance of $75.49 in General Fund Dec 31, 1969 with outstanding bills totaling $107.34.

Thyra Jane Foster, Quarterly Meeting Clerk, requests names of two people to serve on a committee to plan Quarterly Meeting sessions. We appoint Paul Adkins and Bessie Ewen.

A letter from Mary Maker of the committee of the New England Friends home asks that we appoint a representative to visit the Home before next Yearly Meeting. We appoint Kenneth and Eunice Strobel.

It is recommended and approved that all unnecessary spending be curtailed until the treasury is replenished.

The Clerk and assistant Clerk are appointed to make out the statistical report.

ANNUAL REPORTS

TREASURER'S REPORT – YEAR 1969

Balance on Hand General Fund 1-1-69		$136.37
" " Parsonage Fund 1-1-69		404.35
		540.72
RECEIPTS – 1969		
Collections – Envelopes	$2693.87	
" – United Budget	528.60	
Invested Funds	970.47	
Rent – Parsonage	415.00	
Ladies Aid Society	156.00	
Maria Jewell Fund	250.00	
Morwenna Tellier Fund	100.00	
Invested Fund for Meeting House Repairs	1174.00	
Flower Club – North Smithfield	14.00	
Christmas Offering	32.75	
Miscellaneous	27.19	
TOTAL RECEIPTS – 1969		6361.88
		6902.60

TREASURER'S REPORT CONT.

1-28-70

Balance Brought Forward		6902.60
EXPENSES - 1969		
Pastor's Salary	$2480.00	
" Traveling Expense	200.00	
Janitor's Salary	240.00	
Relief Committee	131.04	
Blackstone Valley Electric - Lights	69.77	
City of Woonsocket - Water Parsonage 23.52 Mtg. House 20.00	43.52	
Lagace Oil Co.	356.17	
R.P. Smith, Insurance Mtg. Hse. & Parsonage	277.95	
Cosseboom Agency - E. Blackstone Mtg. Hse	25.00	
John Taylor - United Budget	827.10	
A. Morin - Painting Mtg. House	989.00	
E. Brodeur - Shutters	185.00	
W. Keene - Loam	63.00	
L. Arnold - Lawn Mower	47.50	
To Investment Committee - Clearing Jewell and Tellier Funds	350.00	
China Camp Bldg. Fund	200.00	
National Committee for COs	10.00	
Minute 74	15.00	
Woonsocket Ministerial Assn.	20.00	
R.I. Council of Churches	5.00	
Advertisement in Quaker Life	12.75	
New Bibles	12.02	
R.I. Hospital Trust - Safe Deposit	10.00	
Soloist	35.00	
Stencils & Paper	11.79	
Janitor's Supplies	25.16	
Committee on Indian Affairs	10.00	
New Faith & Practice (6 copies)	9.00	
Miscellaneous	28.52	
TOTAL EXPENSES - 1969		$ 6689.29
Balance on hand 12-31-69		$ 213.31

Balance on hand General Fund 12/31/69	$75.49
" " Parsonage Fund 12/31/69	137.82
	$213.31

Kenneth M. Strobel
Treasurer

The Sunshine Committee reports that during 1969 the following were sent - 13 Get Well cards, 2 Sympathy

1-28-70 3 Easter cards, 4 Thanksgiving cards, 6 Christmas cards. At Christmas gifts were sent to 5 members or friends of the Meeting. Melita B. Fisher, Ch.

The Missionary Committee reports that no formal missionary programs were held during the year. However contributions were made by Monthly Meeting, Ladies Aid and the Sunday School as follows:

United Church Women	$19.00	
United Fund	10.00	
Milk Fund- Woonsocket	10.00	
Committee on Indian Affairs	37.50	
Women of New England	70.65	$147.15

Maybaskets were made and sent to and Thanksgiving gifts were sent to two families.

Ministry and Counsel Report for 1969

Three meetings were held during 1969 with Louise Corrigan as Clerk presiding.

All meetings were centered around revitalizing our Meeting. Eunice Strobel and Louise Corrigan were asked to conduct classes for those who are interested in becoming members. A study guide "Foundations for Membership in the Meeting" is being used.

Each member of Ministry and Counsel was given a few names to contact to encourage them to attend Sunday morning meeting for worship. There has been some increase in attenders.

Queries were studied at each meeting and we all benefited by these readings.

Last, but not least, Paul Adkins accepted our invitation to be pastor for another year.

Since I am no longer a member of Ministry and Counsel, I wish all the new members continued success. Louise Corrigan, Clerk

The Treasurer suggests that the Finance Committee send a notification to members to make them aware that expenses are higher and we need larger contributions to keep the Meeting solvent. This is approved.

The Caretakers are authorized to get an estimate on a heavier electric line into the Meeting House.

1-28-70 The Treasurer is authorized to prepare an annual bulletin.

The Finance Committee submits the following budget for 1970.

PROPOSED BUDGET FOR 1970

Pastor's Salary	$2640.00
" Travel Allowance	220.00
Ministerial Supply	100.00
Janitor's Salary	240.00
United Budget	325.00
Relief Fund	200.00
Heat	550.00
Water – Parsonage & Meeting House)	50.00
Electricity	50.00
Insurance	280.00
Miscellaneous (all supplies, Safety Deposit)	80.00
Caretakers – Asphalt for Driveway	700.00
Christian Education Committee	50.00
Peace & Social Concerns	50.00
Christian Outreach	100.00
China Camp Building Fund	100.00
Music Committee	100.00
Total for 1970	$5835.00

The asphalt expense should be supplemented by individual contributions. Louise Corrigan, Ch.

Our business accomplished, we conclude.
Bessie F. Ewen, Clerk

2-25-70 At Smithfield Monthly Meeting of Friends held at Woonsocket, R.I. February 25, 1970

6 present Minutes of last Meeting are read and approved.

Treasurer's report shows a balance of $75.03 on hand in General Fund January 31, 1970 with bills totaling over $300 outstanding. The Treasurer is authorized to use funds from the Parsonage Fund to help meet these obligations. It is felt that rent from the parsonage should be included as income in General Fund. This is approved.

2-25-70 The Statistical report is read and approved; and will be sent to Quarterly Meeting Clerk.

The Spiritual report is read and approved and will also be sent to Quarterly Meeting Clerk.

A letter from Friends United Meeting announces a Quaker Leadership Seminar will be held in Washington April 20-24. This will be announced in morning meeting.

A letter from AFSC clothing center in Cambridge lists their activities. This will be turned over to Ladies Aid.

A letter from the Yearly Meeting committee on Releasing Young Friends has been received. Since there are no concerned young people eligible in our Meeting, and Treasury does not warrant any contribution to their fund, Clerk is directed to write a letter of acknowledgement

The Meetings and Extension committee of Yearly Meeting offers pamphlets to help answering anyone inquiring about the Society of Friends. These are in conjunction with short messages which may be published in local newspaper. The Meeting does not feel it can take part in the advertising at present, but directs the Clerk to request the pamphlets.

A letter of resignation, effective April 26, from Paul Adkins was read. No action was taken, and the matter was turned over to Ministry and Counsel.

On February 15, the Youth group took active part in the worship service. They passed out paper and crayons to everyone, then asked each one to draw a picture depicting his opinion of the world today. This was followed by having each one show the drawing and explain what it meant. There were many varied opinions, which made an interesting and impressive meeting.

2-25-70 A request has been received from Rachel Smith to rejoin Smithfield Meeting. Ministry and Counsel recommends that this request be granted. We approve, pending receipt of letter of transfer.

~~The Meeting was saddened by the sudden death of Joseph F. Estes the 22th of February. He was a was a lifetime member of the Society of Friends, and a member of Smithfield Meeting~~

No further business appearing we conclude.
Bessie F. Ewen, Clerk

3-8-70 At Smithfield Monthly Meeting of Friends held at Woonsocket, R.I. March 8, 1970

The following minute was approved to be used in the transfer of funds from certain bank accounts.

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I certify that, at a regular meeting of Smithfield Monthly Meeting of Friends, duly held on the eighth day of March, 1970 the following minute was adopted:

That Smithfield Monthly Meeting of Friends, authorize the New England Yearly Meeting of Friends, through its Board of Managers of Investments and Permanent Funds, to manage, invest, and reinvest, for the account of this meeting certain funds now under the supervision of the Smithfield Monthly Meeting, and that the treasurer of the Meeting be authorized to execute on behalf of this Meeting, all papers necessary or convenient in connection with such transfer.

I further certify that Kenneth M Strobel is the treasurer of Smithfield Monthly Meeting of Friends

ATTEST: Bessie F. Ewen, Clerk.

5-25-70

Statistics for Smithfield Monthly Meeting for 1969

	Particular Meetings			Totals
PLEASE READ BEFORE FILLING OUT When Monthly Meetings consist of more than one Particular Meeting, each particular meeting should fill out a blank for the Monthly Meeting. Each Monthly Meeting should make up its report from the Particular Meeting reports, where more than one Particular Meeting is involved; otherwise use only the "Monthly Meeting" blank for making up its report to the Quarterly Meeting. The "Quarterly Meeting" blank is to be used in making a summary of the several Monthly Meeting reports. All reports SHOULD BE RECORDED IN FULL DETAIL.				
1. Number of Members last year, DEC 31 1968			71	71
2. Additions due to Omissions in last year's Report, DEC 31 196			1	1
3. Additions by Birth,				
4. Additions by Request, including from another Denomination,				
5. Additions by Certificate from another Friends Meeting,				
6. Total Additions,			1	1
7. Loss due to Removal of persons included by Error in last year's Report, DEC 31 1968				
8. Loss by Death,			3	3
9. Loss by Discontinuance, Resignation, or Disownment,				
10. Loss by Certificate to another Friends Meeting,			1	1
11. Loss by Letter to another Denomination,			1	1
12. Total Loss,			5	5
13. Number of Members this Year, DEC 31 1969			67	67
14. Net Gain,				
15. Net Loss,			4	4
16. Number of Males,			30	30
17. Number of Females,			37	37
18. Number under 21 years of age,				
19. Number of Junior Members,			4	4
20. Number of Junior Members Transferred to Active Membership,				
21. Number of Resident Members,			52	52
22. Number of Non-Resident Members,			15	15
23. Average Attendance at Sunday Worship (estimate),			25	25
24. Average Attendance of Children at Sunday School,			16	16
25. Average Attendance of Adults at Sunday School,			10	10
26. Number of Sunday School Classes.			5	5
PROVE ALL FIGURES AND TOTALS AS SUGGESTED BELOW.				

SUGGESTIONS.—To be sure that no mistakes occur in this report, observe the following.

1. See that No. 1 is correct as it was reported last year. If a mistake in last year's figures has been discovered since then, call it "Additions due to Omissions in last year's Report," (see No. 2) or "Loss due to Removal of persons included by Error in last year's Report," (see No. 7), as the case may be, and add or subtract as may be required to make No. 13 on this report exactly correct, then write a brief note of explanation on the report.

2. The addition of Nos. 2, 3, 4, and 5 will give No. 6; and of 7, 8, 9, 10, and 11 will give No. 12.

3. If No. 6 is larger than No. 12, subtract No. 12 from No. 6 to obtain No. 14; but if No. 12 is larger subtract No. 6 from No. 12 to obtain No. 15. Of course only one of the numbers 14 and 15 will have figures. If there is a "net gain," add No. 14 to No. 1 to obtain No. 13. If there is a "net loss," subtract No. 15 from No. 1 to obtain No. 13.

4. See that No. 13 is the same as the sum of 16 and 17, and of 21 and 22.

5. Keep your records corrected up to date. Good records make easy reports.

6. Keep on hand a copy of this report for future reference.

Bessie T. Ewen
Clerk

3-25-70 At Smithfield Monthly Meeting of Friends held at Woonsocket, R. I. March 25, 1970.

Minutes of last meeting are read and approved.

The Treasurer's report shows a balance of $225.68 in General Fund Feb. 28, 1970

The Sunshine committee reports get-well cards sent to Ernest Smith, Harold Kelly and Richard McNamara, Easter cards to six shut-ins, and a sympathy card to Lloyd Hanson.

Queries 4, 8 and 12 are read and considered. The following are appointed as representatives to Quarterly Meeting to be held in Worcester April 18, Bessie Ewen, Leslie and Laura Follett, Nellie Fisher, Lauriston and Ruth C. Smith.

A letter from F.C.N.L. offers subscriptions to several magazines to help raise funds for their budget. This will be read in morning meeting.

A letter from U.R.I. announces a one day conference to be held April 13 at the University.

Memorial to Joseph C. Estes

On February 12, 1970, Joseph C. Estes, a birthright member of Friends and for many years a member of this Meeting, at the age of 79, passed away suddenly while in Churchville, Virginia. He had served as Sunday School Superintendant, an Elder, on various committees and was a trustee of the Stephen Aldrich Fund of Smithfield Quarterly Meeting.

Although in poor health for several years, he was able to attend Morning Worship each Sunday until the end.

He was active in Scout work, ever faithful, standing for his Quaker convictions always. Quiet in nature, loyal to friends and the Meeting wherever he served. He will be greatly missed. His faithfulness should be an example for all of us to emulate.

A copy of the above memorial will be sent

3-25-70 to his widow and one to his daughter, Eunice Strobel.

Ministry and Counsel recommends supply ministers for May, June and July. Robert Cool has agreed to serve in May except for May 10 when D. Elton Trueblood will be with us. E. Merrill Root can serve two Sundays in June.

It is approved that we pay $25 each Sunday for supply ministers.

Louis Marstaller gave names of two possible Candidates to the Clerk; one Gerald ~~St~~ Sutch, and the other Howard Macy; both expect to study in the Boston area this coming year. Ministry and Counsel will contact them.

The yearly bulletin is ready, and since Paul Adkins is leaving, it is suggested that the report of the Spiritual Condition of the Meeting be used as a preface. This is approved.

It is suggested and approved that a farewell party be planned for Paul Adkins on April 26. with a covered dish dinner following Morning Worship. Laura Follett, Ruth C. Smith and Wilma Smith are appointed to make arrangements with power to call on others to help.

No further business appearing, we conclude.
Bessie F. Ewen, Clerk

4-29-70 At Smithfield Monthly Meeting held at Woonsocket, R.I., April 29, 1970.

Minutes of last meeting are read and approved.

6 present

The Treasurer's report shows a balance of $419.1~~7~~3 in General Fund March 31, 1970.

The Sunshine committee reports a get-well card sent to Rachel Smith.

Friends United Meeting sends a sample news-

4-29-70 sheet for our perusal and approval. This will be turned over to Peace + Social Concerns committee.

The Planning Committee for Quarterly Meetings sends a report in which it is recommended that the theme for our meetings this year be "Service". The April meeting meeting in Worcester planned around rehabilitation and educational work being done in the neighborhood of the Meeting - young people to explore the area and report to the afternoon program. It is suggested that the July meeting in Westerly explore the role of A F S C using the Boston office as resource. For October Ministry & Counsel with the host meeting in Woonsocket are asked to plan a meeting stressing special concerns of Ministry and Counsel in the area of the year's theme.

Information and cards for use of anyone wanting help from the Equalization Fund for Yearly Meeting have been received.

A questionaire from Yearly Meeting about Friends responsibility for blacks, Indians and poor and the meeting participation are at hand. The Clerk and Asst. Clerk are appointed to fill this out.

The annual report from A F S C is at hand and will be placed on the table in the hall, along with FCNL newsletter, a poster, reports from Friends World Comm. and news sheets from Promoting Enduring Peace.

The representatives to Quarterly Meeting report that all but two attended with Melita Fisher replacing Nellie.

Ministry and Counsel reports that Howard Macy has accepted another ministry. No reply has been received from Gerald Teitch yet.

Barrington College states that supply ministers are available for the last of June and for July. After a discussion it is approved to notify them that we would like to have Paul F. Johnson June 21 and the Rev. Raymond Leavitt June 28. It seems wise to leave

4-29-70 July open for a possible candidate for a permanent Pastor.

Since we are to notify the men from Barrington College, it is necessary to discuss the hour of worship the latter part of June and the month of July. It is approved that the service be held at ten o'clock during that time.

Nellie Fisher brings up the problem of someone to take charge of the Youth group now that Paul Adkins has left. It is suggested that the Christian Education committee confer with the group to see if they wish to continue evening meetings through May, June and July. We approve.

The Sunday School would like to have a movie projector for visual education. It is possible to rent one along with film which would be acceptable for the rest of this season. A suggestion is made that a special fund might be raised so that a projector could be purchased in the Fall. This is approved.

The Peace and Social Concerns committee requests that a fund be set aside to purchase supplies. We approve of $25 for the use of this Committee.

On April 26, Paul Adkins preached his final sermon to a large number of Friends and attenders. At the close of meeting for worship, the Clerk presented him with a purse with best wishes for his success in his new pastorate. Following the service, a covered dish dinner and social hour was enjoyed by about fifty people.

No further business appearing, we conclude.
Bessie F. Ewen, Clerk

5-27-70 At Smithfield Monthly Meeting held at Woonsocket, May 27, 1970.

The minutes of the last meeting are read and approved.

8 present The Treasurer's report shows a balance of $343.31 in General Fund April 30, 1970.

The Sunshine committee reports a get-well card sent to Walter Symes.

Peace and Social Concerns committee requests that Robert Cool be re-named to the Committee as he has been working with them. This is approved.

A notice of work grants and travel aid to Friends General Conference June 22-27 is at hand.

The Yearly Meeting finance committee sends a notice that the budget is short more that $11,000 at the end of April and urges all Meetings to bring contributions up to date. Kenneth Strobel, treasurer, states that our final contribution will be sent before May 31.

A letter from Cambridge Meeting encloses a copy of a letter they sent to Richard Nixon stating opposition to sending troops into Cambodia, and urges all Meetings in New England to write to the President. The Meeting feels that we should wait until June 30 as requested by Richard Nixon. If the situation seems to warrant a letter at that time, we will consider it. The Clerk is requested to write to Cambridge Meeting telling them of our decision.

A letter from North Columbus Meeting, Ohio urges all citizens to contact their Congressmen requesting an end to the draft law. This will be mentioned in Morning Meeting.

Requests for funds have been received from Pendle Hill in Pennsylvania, A F S C, and Lincoln School to help them carry on their projects. We feel

5-27-70 unable to contribute to anything at the present time. It is felt that we should try to help the IFSC, so postpone their appeal to next meeting.

Following changes in Yearly Meeting Faith and Practice, individual meetings are to appoint representatives to Yearly Meeting and one person to serve on the Finance Committee. Kenneth Strobel's term expires this year and he should be replaced as he has served more than five years. The nominating Committee is requested to find someone. If no one is available, Kenneth Strobel consents to serve for one year. As representatives we appoint Bessie Ewen and Eunice Strobel as alternate.

Ministry and Counsel reports that a letter from Gerald Kutch informs us that he has decided to stay in Clintondale, N.Y. Merrill Root will conduct services June 7 and 14. The last two Sundays in June will be filled by men from Barrington College.

One unprogrammed meeting in July is suggested and it is approved that this be the first Sunday, when those who attend Yearly Meeting can bring back a message. On July 12, the professor of religion, J. W. Fiegenbaum, at Mt. Holyoke College has offered to be with us. We approve.

It is suggested that an ad be placed in Quaker Life for the position of part-time pastor. If anyone comes as a candidate, it is approved that travel expenses be allowed. After a discussion about the amount paid for supply ministers, it is decided that the treasury cannot pay more than $25 a Sunday at this time.

Louise Taber reports that the Ladies Aid has had a new ceiling put in the kitchen and have had the electrical wiring improved with a heavy duty line and the meter placed outside. It is suggested that the Clerk write a letter commending the ladies for undertaking this project. We approve.

No further business appearing, we conclude,
Bessie F. Ewen, Clerk

6-24-70 At Smithfield Monthly Meeting of Friends held at Woonsocket, R.I. June 24, 1970

Minutes of the last meeting are read and approved.

The Treasurer's report shows a balance of $392.75 in General Fund May 31, 1970.

3 present

A request for funds for seeds from AFSC held from last meeting is brought to our attention. We approve of sending $10 for this program.

Queries 1, 3 and 6 are read and considered. Representatives to Quarterly Meeting to be held in Westerly July 18 are Lauriston and Ruth C. Smith, Bessie Ewen and others who may attend.

Kenneth Strobel reports that he and Eunice visited New England Friends Home in Hingham recently. There are four vacancies at the present time with extra facilities for overnight guests. The new director is Maureen Parker. Prices for rooms range from $150 to $200 a month.

It is approved that the Meeting House be closed for the month of August and the first Sunday in September.

Our business being accomplished we adjourn to meet at the call of the Clerk.
Bessie F. Ewen, Clerk

7-5-70 At a short meeting following morning worship, it was approved to grant the request of Carolyn Smith Leroy to transfer her membership to the United Church of Christ in Westerly, R.I. since she has lived there for several years.
Bessie F. Ewen, Clerk

9-30-70 At Smithfield Monthly Meeting of Friends held at Woonsocket, R.I. September 30, 1970.

Minutes of last meeting are read and approved.

9 present

The Treasurer's report shows a balance of $740.53 in General Fund August 31, 1970.

The Sunshine committee reports a Get Well card sent to Laura Follett.

It is time to consider some Queries and appoint representatives to Quarterly Meeting to be held here October 17. Queries 4, 5 and 10 are read, and we appoint the following representatives: Eunice Strobel, Ernest and Ruth L. Smith, Lauriston Smith

A letter from A F S C thanks the Meeting for the Ten Dollars contributed to the seed project, and tells of the help in distributing seeds by a Western State (Nigeria) agricultural officer, Ola Oyemomi who spent two weeks of his vacation to organize a plan for distribution.

The Friends Council on Education solicits financial backing. It is felt that this Meeting cannot support this as we have difficulty meeting our regular commitments.

A message from Young Friends Ecology Study at Yearly Meeting is read and will be placed on the bulletin board.

It is approved that the Meeting renew the subscription to F C N L newsletter. The cost this year is Five Dollars up from Three Dollars.

The Heritage Club requests the use of the Meeting House Friday evening, November 20 at 7:30. This is approved. They ask that someone give a short history of the Meeting at that time. Louise Faber is suggested as she gave such a good report at our 250th anniversary last year.

9-30-70 Kenneth Strobel informs us that Doris Mowry has inquired if anyone has been named to replace Joseph Estes on the Mapleville cemetery and if there is a fund for said cemetery. No one has been appointed and as far as we know there is no specific fund for the cemetery in Mapleville.

The Investment committee raised the question of when they are to be released. There are still three bank books in the safe deposit box. As it is necessary to have someone who can handle these accounts ~~in~~ during banking hours, it is approved that this committee serve to the end of the year.

Christian Education Committee is concerned about the Sunday School, and suggest that it meet at the same time as worship service, with pupils attending first part of worship. They request volunteers for teaching to take turns so that teachers would not have to miss the worship service every week. We approve of trying this.

Ministry and Counsel read a letter of application from Rebecca Cox of Philadelphia for the pastorship here. Since she sounds very evangelical, and we are to hear a student from Andover-Newton next Sunday, it is suggested that Clerk of Ministry and Counsel be authorized to make a reply later.

After a discussion about salary to be offered to William Henkel, who will preach on Sunday, it was approved to set the amount at $200.00 a month. This for his services on Saturday and Sunday and to include working with the Youth group, and to visit sick and shut-in members.

It is approved that the Meeting serve dessert and beverage for Quarterly Meeting, attenders to provide their own lunch. Wilma Smith is appointed Chairman with power to choose her helpers.

9-30-70 Kenneth Strobel requests a traveling Minute to take on his visit in England next month. Clerk is directed to prepare a Minute.

No further business appearing, we conclude.
Bessie F. Ewen, Clerk

10-11-70 At a called Meeting of Smithfield Monthly Meeting of Friends October 11, 1970.

Ann De Nevers sent a request for the Meeting to sponsor a luncheon on October 24 to commemorate the twenty-fifth anniversary of the U N along with former members of a Committee for United Nations Week in Woonsocket held in 1961. This request is granted.

Bessie F. Ewen, Clerk

10-28-70 At Smithfield Monthly Meeting of Friends held at Woonsocket, R.I. October 28, 1970.

Minutes of last meeting are read and approved.

The Treasurer's report shows a balance of $1008.62 in General Fund September 30, 1970

The Sunshine Committee reports a get-well card sent to Rachel Smith.

Representatives to Quarterly Meeting report that all attended. Those who served on the committee for lunch were Marion Ross, Louise Tabor and Ruth C. Smith.

Copy of Traveling Minute given to
Kenneth Strobel

Oct. 1, 1970

To Friends in Great Britain

At a regular meeting for business, Kenneth Strobel, a member in good standing of Smithfield Monthly Meeting of Friends in Woonsocket, Rhode Island was granted a traveling minute.

He is to visit friends in England, and

10-28-70 as the way opens plans to visit Friends Meeting places while there.

He takes greetings and good wishes from Friends in Smithfield Meeting who express the hope that our Meetings may continue in the spirit of mutual Christian love and friendship in the never ending endeavor to bring the Kingdom of God on earth.

Bessie F. Ewen, Clerk

Central Committee for Conscientious Objectors requests funds to help carry on work in draft Counseling. We approve of sending $10 for this work,

Ann DeNevers reports that answers to a questionner sent to congressmen have been received. She is requested to prepare a composite report to be given at morning meeting, next.

The relief committee reports that there is still need to provide fuel for one family. Treasurer is authorized to pay the bills.

The Treasurer is authorized to pay the final $100 of our pledge to China Camp building fund.

Ministry and Counsel reports that William Henkel, student at Andover-Newton Theological Seminary has agreed to serve as pastor for the rest of the school-year. He agrees to give a sixty day notice of any change is to be made, the Meeting to do the same.

William Henkel reports that he has met with the High School group and they plan to get together two Sundays a month for various types of programs.

Our business being accomplished, we conclude.

Bessie F. Ewen, Clerk

11-30-70

present

At Smithfield Monthly Meeting of Friends held at Woonsocket, R.I., November 30, 1970.

The minutes of last meeting are read and approved.

The Treasurer's report shows a balance of $1022.25 in General Fund October 31, 1970.

The Sunshine committee five Thanksgiving cards were sent to shut-ins.

The Friends General Conference offers material for the week of prayer for Christian unity Jan. 18-25. A questionnaire is included about the use of material from General Conference. Clerk is directed to fill out questionnaire and order a handbook.

A letter sent to all Monthly Meetings from the Yearly Meeting Finance Committee adds a note of appreciation for contributions from Smithfield Meeting.

Friends World College is offering bonds of $500 or $1,000 to raise $500,000 to pay off existing bonds and to improve facilities. Bonds will be due in 1981 and pay 9% interest.

Minute 74 committee of Yearly Meeting asks for contributions to provide scholarships to disadvantaged students in New England. We approve of sending $20 to this committee.

Friends Committee on National Legislation requests financial aid to support the program in Washington. It is approved that we send $10 for this work.

Nellie Fisher brings to our attention a fund of $500 from Avis Steere which has been held in reserve for twenty-five years. This is now available for the use of the Meeting. A question is raised if it would be advisable to procure a slide or movie projector for use of the Sunday School and the Meeting. After a discussion, Kenneth Stroud volunteers to inquire about costs and report at the next meeting.

11-30-70 Clerk is directed to write a letter of thanks to Lester Taber for his work on the heating system.

Committees are reminded that annual reports are due at the next meeting.

Our business being concluded, we adjourn.

Bessie F. Ewen, Clerk

12-30-70 At Smithfield Monthly Meeting of Friends held at Woonsocket, R.I. December 30, 1970.

The minutes of last meeting are read and approved.

8 present The Treasurer's report shows a balance of $1141.34 in General Fund November 30, 1970. He asks permission to transfer part of this balance from the checking account to savings, with power to ~~bro~~ withdraw funds as needed for current expenses. Permission is granted.

The Sunshine committee reports five cards and Christmas gifts sent in December.

American Friends Service Committee sends information about a theater group offering a musical play, "Earth and Song". It seems wise at this time not to attempt to put this show on here. It is suggested that if Providence Meeting should take advantage of this, we could cooperate in sale of tickets and publicity.

American Friends Service Committee has sent a letter asking for an opportunity to send someone to discuss how Quakers meet today's problems. Bill Henkel has suggested that this dialogue could be in conjunction with a bean supper which the Youth group want to put on for the Meeting. We approve of this with the suggestion that they consider possible bad weather during the winter.

Kenneth Strobel reports on cost of a movie projector. One with automatic feed would be $489.50 for 16 MM. A slide projector would be from $50 up.

12-30-70 It would cost $15 a day to rent a projector. As the Sunday School is very small at present, it seems advisable to rent a projector a few times to see if a film arouses interest.

Annual Reports

Christian Education Committee

Committee meetings have been held regularly during the year with most members of the committee being very faithful in attendance and contributing to the matters being considered.

Our most pressing business has been that of the decline in membership in the Sunday School. At the beginning of 1970, there were 7 classes with an enrollment of approximately 20 pupils, 7 teachers and a superintendent. In the spring this dropped to 4 classes with about 10 pupils, many of whom did not attend regularly.

Because of a lack of interest, Nellie M. Fisher, the superintendent, asked this committee to help. After several meetings it was decided, with Monthly Meeting approval, to try having Sunday School at the same time as meeting for worship. The teaching duties are being rotated among members of the Meeting. This trial is still operative, and we cannot tell the results at this time. We suggest that it be continued at least until the summer when Sunday School normally closes for two months.

We would like to thank all those who have kindly helped with the teaching duties, and I personally feel that more of the adults are aware of the problem than have been in the past.

Two family Sundays have been observed, the last Sunday in November and December, at which time only the nursery and primary children go to class, with the juniors and intermediates staying in Meeting.

As of the end of 1970, we have 3 classes and a nursery with 12 children and 2 in the nursery as our enrollment. The Junior High

12-30-70 class is not operating at all, but one boy does attend meeting.

We realize this is not a comforting report, but perhaps one or two children may learn about the love of God and the influence He may exert. If this happens, we will not have struggled in vain.

Eunice Strobel, Chairman

Relief Committee

Ruth C. Smith reports that fuel has been supplied to one family again this year.

Caretakers

Caretakers report that no special work has been done during 1970.

Missionary Committee

Bessie Ewen reports that no formal missionary programs have been carried out this year. The Sunday School contributed the offering at Christmas to the work among American Indians. Ladies Aid has contributed clothing and money to A F S C, and sent contributions to the Executive Committee on Indian Affairs. They also helped with Cancer, United and Woonsocket Milk Funds and with the work of Church Women United.

The nominating committee presents a slate of officers and committees for the coming year. One or two vacancies need to be filled, and will be presented at the next Monthly Meeting.

Our business being accomplished, we conclude.

Bessie F. Ewen, Clerk

1-27-71 Due to severe weather no Monthly Meeting was held. Should special business appear, Clerk will call a Meeting.

2-24-71 At Smithfield Monthly Meeting of Friends held at Woonsocket, R. I. Feb. 24, 1971

Minutes of last meeting are read and approved.

Treasurer's report shows a balance of $1026.42 in General Fund January 31, 1971.

Sunshine Committee reports get-well cards were sent to Marion Ross and Ruth L. Smith and valentines to five shut-ins.

Thank-you notes are read from Ruth L. Smith, Rachel Smith and Sarah Henderson for gifts in the Holiday season.

A letter from Yearly Meeting Committee for Releasing Young Friends explains some of the work being done. A brochure is included and funds requested from interested individuals.

The list of nominations is complete as follows.

SMITHFIELD MONTHLY MEETING OFFICER – 1971

CLERK – Bessie Ewen

ASST. CLERK – Ruth C. Smith

TREASURER – Kenneth M. Strobel

ASST. TREASURER – Louise Corrigan

ELDERS

1971	1972	1973
Marion Ross	Eunice Strobel	Ernest Smith
Leslie Follett	Ann De Nevers	Wilma Smith
Melita Fisher	Ruth C. Smith	Adeline Randall

FINANCE AND STEWARDSHIP – Louise Corrigan, Nellie Fisher, Wilma Smith, Lauriston Smith, Martha Smith, Kenneth Strobel, ex officio

RELIEF – Ruth C. Smith

SUNSHINE – Melita Fisher, Laura Follett, Ruth L. Smith

CARETAKERS – Louise Taber, Lester Taber, Nellie Fisher, Leslie Follett, Lauriston Smith.

CHRISTIAN EDUCATION – Martha Smith, Eunice Strobel, Marjorie Doyle, Adeline Randall, Nellie Fisher.

PEACE AND SOCIAL CONCERNS – Ann De Nevers, Robert Cool Melita Fisher, Doris Mowry

MISSIONARY – Ruth L. Smith, Bessie Ewen, Laura Follett

2-24-71

CEMETERIES - Leslie Follett, Lauriston Smith, Lester Taber
USHERS - Kenneth Strobel, Lauriston Smith
FLOWERS - Adeline Randall, Wilma Smith, Laura Follett, Marion Ross, Dorothy Mowry.
MUSIC - Louise Taber, Ruth L. Smith, Melita Fisher.
NOMINATING - Louise Corrigan, Ruth C. Smith, Melita Fisher, Marjorie Doyle

SMITHFIELD MONTHLY MEETING OF FRIENDS

YEAR 1970

Balance on Hand General Fund 1-1-70		$ 75.49
Parsonage Fund		137.82
		213.31

RECEIPTS:

Collections - Envelopes	$ 3201.40	
" - United Budget	552.99	
Invested Funds	457.17	
Rent Parsonage	830.00	
Investments - Bd of Mgrs, Yearly Mtg	623.38	
Ladies Aid Society	100.00	
Miscellaneous	6.40	
TOTAL RECEIPTS - 1970		$ 5771.34
		$ 5984.65

EXPENSES:

Pastor's Salary	$ 1455.00	
Ministerial Supply	350.00	
Pastor's Travel Expense	90.00	
Janitor's Salary	220.00	
Richard McNamara	240.00	
Soloist	40.00	
Blackstone Valley Electric	49.20	
N.E. Oil Company	520.34	
City of Woonsocket - Water Mtg 20.00 Pars. 27.72	47.72	
John Taylor - United Budget	845.75	
R.P. Smith, - Insurance	277.95	
Mundy's Florist *	32.71	
R.I. Hospital Trust Co. -Safe Deposit	12.00	
Chin~~c~~a Camp Bldg Fund	100.00	
American Friends Service Com.	10.00	
Committee on COs	10.00	
Committee on Nat'l Legislation	15.00	
Minute 74	20.00	
Grace McNamara	100.00	
Miscellaneous Repairs	24.85	
Miscellaneous	47.71	
TOTAL EXPENSES 1970		$ 4508.23
Balance on Hand 12-31-70		$ 1476.42

Balance on Hand General Fund 12-31-70	$ 853.04
" Bd of Mgr. Yrly Mtg	623.38
	$1476.42

* To be returned from Pendleton Flower Fund.

Kenneth B. Strobel
Treasurer

To Smithfield Monthly Meeting of Friends -

Your Investment Committee reports the balances on bank books withheld by them at the time of transfer of funds to the Board of Managers of Investments and Permanent Funds of New England Yearly Meeting:

Book #182342 - Woonsocket Institution for Savings
(Pendleton Relief Fund)

Balance December 1, 1969	$544.79	
Interest to November 16, 1970	26.33	$571.12

Book #182343 - Woonsocket Institution for Savings
(Pendleton Flower Fund)

Balance December 1, 1969	$492.65	
Interest to November 16, 1970	23.81	$516.46

Book #66439 - Woonsocket Institution for Savings
(General Fund)

Balance December 1, 1969	$2,500.00	
Interest mailed to Treasurer		$2,500.00

Respectfully submitted,

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Louise Faler

Lester R. Faler

Investment Committee

December 31, 1970

2-24-71 The Statistical report is read and approved. A Copy will be sent to Quarterly Meeting Clerk.

Statistics for Smithfield Monthly Meeting for 1971

	Particular Meetings			Totals
PLEASE READ BEFORE FILLING OUT When Monthly Meetings consist of more than one Particular Meeting, each particular meeting should fill out a blank for the Monthly Meeting. Each Monthly Meeting should make up its report from the Particular Meeting reports, where more than one Particular Meeting is involved; otherwise use only the "Monthly Meeting" blank for making up its report to the Quarterly Meeting. The "Quarterly Meeting" blank is to be used in making a summary of the several Monthly Meeting reports. All reports SHOULD BE RECORDED IN FULL DETAIL.				
1. Number of Members last year, DEC 3 1 1970				64
2. Additions due to Omissions in last year's Report, DEC 3 1 1970				1
3. Additions by Birth,				0
4. Additions by Request, including from another Denomination,				1
5. Additions by Certificate from another Friends Meeting,				1
6. Total Additions,				3
7. Loss due to Removal of persons included by Error in last year's Report,				0
8. Loss by Death,				2
9. Loss by Discontinuance, Resignation, or Disownment,				0
10. Loss by Certificate to another Friends Meeting,				0
11. Loss by Letter to another Denomination,				0
12. Total Loss,				2
13. Number of Members this Year, DEC 3 1 1971				65
14. Net Gain,				1
15. Net Loss,				0
16. Number of Males,				36
17. Number of Females,				29
18. Number under 21 years of age,				3
19. Number of Junior Members,				-
20. Number of Junior Members Transferred to Active Membership,				0
21. Number of Resident Members,				51
22. Number of Non-Resident Members,				13
23. Average Attendance at Sunday Worship (estimate),				20
24. Average Attendance of Children at Sunday School,				9
25. Average Attendance of Adults at Sunday School,				4
26. Number of Sunday School Classes.				2
PROVE ALL FIGURES AND TOTALS AS SUGGESTED BELOW.				

SUGGESTIONS.—To be sure that no mistakes occur in this report, observe the following.

1. See that No. 1 is correct as it was reported last year. If a mistake in last year's figures has been discovered since then, call it "Additions due to Omissions in last year's Report," (see No. 2) or "Loss due to Removal of persons included by Error in last year's Report," (see No. 7), as the case may be, and add or subtract as may be required to make No. 13 on this report exactly correct, then write a brief note of explanation on the report.

2. The addition of Nos. 2, 3, 4, and 5 will give No. 6; and of 7, 8, 9, 10, and 11 will give No. 12.

3. If No. 6 is larger than No. 12, subtract No. 12 from No. 6 to obtain No. 14; but if No. 12 is larger subtract No. 6 from No. 12 to obtain No. 15. Of course only one of the numbers 14 and 15 will have figures. If there is a "net gain," add No. 14 to No. 1 to obtain No. 13. If there is a "net loss," subtract No. 15 from No. 1 to obtain No. 13.

4. See that No. 13 is the same as the sum of 16 and 17, and of 21 and 22.

5. Keep your records corrected up to date. Good records make easy reports.

6. Keep on hand a copy of this report for future reference.

Clerk

2-24-71

The Statistical report is read and approved. A copy will be sent to Quarterly Meeting Clerk.

Notice of silent Witness for Peace to be held in Boston on Good Friday, April 9 is read.

Friends General Conference sends notice that meeting will be held near the end of June and asks for names of anyone who might attend

Jeanette Smith will visit next Monthly Meeting from Yearly Meeting Committee on Friends Responsibilities for Victims of Prejudice and Poverty.

Ministry and Counsel recommends that Evelyn Wilson Perron be re-instated as a member of Smithfield Monthly Meeting. It is approved, and Clerk will so notify her.

A concern about the organ is presented. At present, it is very unsatisfactory - noisy and some notes do not play. A suggestion is made that a drive could be made to purchase a new one if the old one does not warrant repairs. Ruth C. Smith has found an advertisement about organ repairing. After a discussion it is approved that the music committee be authorized to make inquiries.

Ministry and Counsel report that they are searching for a minister to serve the Meeting after William Henkel leaves at the end of May. A program to discuss how we can be of service to society is being planned for May with Ann De Nevers as chairman.

No further business appearing, we conclude.
Bessie F. Erven, Clerk

3-31-71 At Smithfield Monthly Meeting of Friends held at Woonsocket, R.I. March 31, 1971.

Minutes of last meeting are read and approved.

Treasurer's report shows a balance of $1734.66 in General Fund Feb. 28, 1971.

Queries 1 and 2 are read and considered and the following are appointed representatives to Quarterly Meeting to be held at Saylesville April 17; Lawriston Smith, Melita Fisher, Bessie Erwen, Ruth C. Smith.

9 present

Ruth L. Smith reported for the Music Committee that one man looked at the organ and said it was not worth fixing. She has names of other man to contact and will report at a later meeting.

The State of Society report is read and approved, and will be sent to Quarterly Meeting Clerk.

A news sheet and a request for funds from CCCO is at hand. No action taken.

Friends World Committee sends a calendar of Yearly Meetings for 1971, and offers several publications including a new leaflet "Friendly Answers" to "What Is Quakerism".

Friends General Conference sends notice of Rufus Jones lecture to be held at New Paltz, N.Y. April 16. Speaker will be George Lakey.

Ministry and Counsel reports on search for a new pastor. There is a difference of opinion about Ronald Johnson who preached Sunday, March 27.

Word has been received that William Geary who will graduate from E.S.R. in June is interested in a pastorate and will be in this vicinity the first week in April. He is to contact the Clerk. The feeling of the Meeting is that we should hear other candidates.

Insurance on Meeting property is due to be renewed in April. A representative from Providence Mutual

3-31-71 Insurance Co. checked the property recently and recommends that coverage be increased from the present $37,000 to $65,000. This would increase the premium from $277.95 each year to $478.30. It seems wise to consult other members before making a decision. It is suggested that the policy be renewed at the present valuation and the matter be considered at next Monthly Meeting. It is approved.

Following the business, Jeanette Smith discussed the purpose of the committee to work on Friends Responsibilities for Victims of Prejudice and Poverty. minute 60-1970 They propose to raise $100,000 in 5 years for N.E. Yearly Meeting. Each Monthly Meeting is asked to consider the possibility of allocating a specified sum toward this project if it is possible or to find some way of raising money.

This year they have contributed to RAP in Roxbury, the Pasamaquoddy Indians, the Minute 74 committee and made a loan toward rehabilitating homes in Bennington, Vermont.

Ann De Nevers is asked to see what can be done locally, if anything.

Our business being accomplished, we conclude.
Bessie F. Ewen, Clerk

4-28-71 At Smithfield Monthly Meeting held at Woonsocket, R.I. April 28, 1971.

Minutes of last meeting are read and approved.

Treasurer's report shows a balance of $1682.55 in General Fund March 31, 1971.

Sunshine committee reports Easter cards sent to seven people and a get-well card to Ruth L. Smith.

Representatives to Quarterly Meeting report that all attended. Slides taken by Russell and Margaret Angell in South America last summer were very interesting and enjoyed by everyone.

4-28-71 The Treasurer reports that premium on insurance is $363.30 each year $4.85 more than last year. It is approved that the insurance be continued at the present valuation.

Ruth C. Smith reports that William Geary has conferred with her and Clerk of the Meeting. No decision was made.

Inquiries have been received from two others— Rev. Alan Minarcik, of Andover, N.Y. and David Cooper of Huntington, N.Y. Both expect to be in Boston and are to contact William Henkel. 6 present

Robert Cool has agreed to serve for the month of June.

Peace and Social Concerns reports on the concern of Minute 60. A meeting to discuss issues and express various thoughts is suggested for May 23 at 7 P.M. There is a need for activating membership. Ann DeNevers hopes to meet with young Friends and have them present ideas, perhaps on ecology, Vietnam, draft repeal, or victims of prejudice and poverty; also find a way to develop a more active meeting and help on a special project.

An appeal from Lincoln School League for Annual Giving is tabled.

An invitation is read from the First Universalist Church of Woonsocket to attend the installation service for Rev. Olav Nieuwejaar May 16 at 7:30 P.M.

A suggestion is made that the meeting help financially the young people who want to go to China Camp this year. This is approved.

It is suggested and approved that a farewell luncheon be given William Henkel the last Sunday in May, and that he be presented with a book and purse. Bessie Ewen and Ruth C. Smith are appointed to make arrangements.

The matter of the organ is discussed with

4-28-71 no definite result. The idea of a piano is brought before the meeting as a possibility.

No further business appearing, we conclude.
Bessie F. Ewen, Clerk

5-26-71 At Smithfield Monthly Meeting of Friends held at Woonsocket, R. I. May 26, 1971.

Minutes of last meeting are read and approved.

Treasurer's report shows a balance of $985.89 in General Fund April 30, 1971.

11 present

Bessie Ewen reports that due to the fact that William Henkel terminated his pastorate May 23, and that date had been chosen for the Sunday School picnic, the farewell luncheon was cancelled. There was a very good response from members and friends for the purse. Ann De Nevers chose two books for William Henkel and presentation was made at the close of morning meeting by the Clerk.

A letter from Hanover Monthly Meeting, N. H. transfers membership of Mildred Morse back to the Smithfield Meeting is read. This is unanimously approved.

Appointments to Yearly Meeting committees are as follows:

REPRESENTATVE: Melita Fisher - ALTERNATE: Eunice Strobel
FINANCE: Kenneth Strobel
NOMINATING: Melita Fisher
MINISTRY & COUNSEL: Eunice Strobel

The AFSC appeals for funds to support four projects. We approve of sending $25 for this.

Friends Journal requests support to keep the publication afloat and subscription rates as reasonable as possible. We approve of sending $5.

5-26-71 Friends World Committee asks for contributions to help carry on their work. At present time we do not feel free to support this.

Friends Committee on National Legislation offers subscriptions to numerous magazines for the second year. As the closing date is May 30 it is felt wise to refrain from this.

Caretakers report that Woonsocket Window Cleaning Co. has cleaned the Meeting House windows at a cost of	$2780
Curtains have been cleaned	24.00
Window frames - scrape & paint	93.00
Painting of Sunday School rooms	255.00
Replace 12 panes of glass	36.00
TOTAL	435.00

We approve of caretakers having the repair work done.

Music committee reports on the question of an organ. After a discussion on merits of a 'new organ' at a cost of approximately $2000, a piano, or a used organ, it is recommended that there be further investigation and a report at a future monthly meeting with all members urged to attend.

Ministry & Counsel reports that Rev. Douglas Anderson, a graduate student at Boston University will preach June 13 as a candidate for pastor.

It is approved to have meeting for worship at 10 A.M. starting June 13 through July. As Yearly Meeting will be in session the last Sunday in June, it is approved to have regular meeting for worship if Robert Cool will be here, otherwise the Meeting House will be open for an unprogrammed meeting.

Our business being accomplished, we conclude
Bessie F. Ewen, Clerk

6-23-71 At Smithfield Monthly Meeting of Friends held at Woonsocket, R.I. June 23, 1971.

Minutes of the last meeting are read and approved.

The Treasurer's report shows a balance of $938.77 in General Fund May 31, 1971.

The Sunshine committee reports a card sent to Ruth L. Smith.

Queries 3 and 4 are read and considered before appointing representatives to Quarterly Meeting to be held at North Dartmouth July 17. We appoint Ruth C. Smith, Lauriston Smith, Ernest and Ruth L. Smith and others who may attend.

Leona Trudelle requests the use of the Meeting House for her marriage August 28. We approve this request and appoint Nellie Fisher and Adeline Randall to represent the Meeting. Clerk is directed to write a note saying we are pleased to grant her request, have appreciated her attendance and will welcome her in the future.

It has been the custom to suspend worship services during the month of August and the Sunday before Labor Day. We approve of continuing this practice, and to resume Meetings for Worship September 12 at eleven o'clock.

As several young people from the Meeting plan to attend China Camp this summer, we approve of sending $120 from the Meeting to help their expenses.

Lagace Oil Co. offers a protection plan for replacement of faulty furnace parts at a cost of $24 a year. We approve of taking advantage of this offer.

Ministry and Counsel recommends that we hire Douglas Anderson as pastor. This is approved. Ruth C. Smith has contacted him by telephone and he accepts the position. He requests access to

6-23-71 the parsonage by the first of September. He has furniture except a stove and refrigerator. Melita Fisher offers a refrigerator, and Kenneth Strobel expects to be able to find a stove.

Once more the question of an organ is discussed. Louise Taber reports that the Lucca ~~ora~~ Co. says prices may be lower by Fall. They offer 6 free lessons to the organist and the offer is open until September.

No further business appearing, we conclude next meeting to ~~ba~~ be at the call of the Clerk.
Bessie F. Ewen, Clerk

9-29-71 At Smithfield Monthly Meeting of Friends held at Woonsocket, R. I., Sept. 29, 1971.

Minutes of last meeting are read and approved.

Treasurer's report shows a balance of $961.60 in General Fund Aug. 31, 1971.

The Sunshine committee reports that sympathy cards were sent to the family of Lloyd C. Arnold in July.

Representatives to Quarterly Meeting at North Dartmouth in July report that three attended.

Queries 5 and 6 are read and considered. The following are appointed as representatives to Quarterly Meeting to be held at Providence Monthly Meeting Oct. 16, Martha Smith, Bessie Ewen, Melita and Nellie Fisher.

Thank-you notes from Jeffrey Hartley and Kenneth Strobel are read. Both boys report they enjoyed China Camp and appreciated the financial aid from the Meeting.

Newsletters from Friendsville Academy and FCNL are at hand and will be placed on table in the hall.

A copy of an account of her experience last Spring working on Alaska Natives claims by Irene Heine is

9-29-71 at hand.. This could be used for discussion and copies are available at 45¢ each - or 25¢ ea. in lots of 10 or more. This will be discussed at a later meeting after study by several members. Title is "One Kind of Communication".

Yearly Meeting acknowledges receipt of $25 for Victims of Prejudice and Poverty. Most of this amount was contributed by two boys who sold used books and games at a Ladies Aid lawn sale in June.

American Friends Service Committee acknowledges receipt of $25 sent to help in an emergency.

Letter from the 1% more committee urges everyone to support this effort.

A letter from FCNL states a need for more financial support. It is approved that we send $10.

A list of seminars planned by Friends Council on Education during the coming season has been received.

An appeal for funds from Prison Visitation Service for CO's is read, and we approve of sending $10.

The Finance Committee of Yearly Meeting calls our attention to an increase of some $5000 in the budget this year.

The Committee of One Hundred asks for support. The sense of the Meeting is that we should not contribute at this time.

The question of a janitor is discussed, and the caretakers are authorized to try and locate someone for the work.

A Memorial

Lloyd Clifton Arnold, a member of Smithfield Monthly Meeting of Friends, passed suddenly to his reward

9-29-71 on July 4, 1971 at his home in Hixson, Tenn. after a short illness.

He had capably served as Sunday School Supt., Elder, Clerk of Ministry & Counsel, Clerk of Smithfield Quarterly Meeting Ministry & Counsel and as a Sunday School teacher.

In August, 1969, when he and his wife moved to Tennessee, the Meeting felt a keen loss. His violin music was an inspiration. He had served the Meeting in innumerable ways, never too busy to give help where needed. While he was active in outside affairs, his first loyalty was to his Meeting.

The attendance at his funeral service was a tribute to him and his family. He is survived by a wife, a daughter and five grandchildren.

Smithfield Monthly Meeting wishes this Memorial to be placed on their records and a copy sent to his family.

"I cannot say and I will not say that he is dead, he is just away."

No further business appearing, we adjourn.
Bessie F. Ewen, Clerk

10-27-71 At Smithfield Monthly Meeting of Friends held at Woonsocket, R.I. October 27, 1971.

Minutes of last meeting are read and approved.

Treasurer's report shows a balance of $1183.25 in General Fund Sept. 30, 1971.

Sunshine committee reports a card sent to Kenneth Strobel while he was ill.

6 present

Representatives to Quarterly Meeting report that all attended. There was some discussion on the two schools in Providence at the business meeting. It was approved to continue this at the April Quarterly Meeting to be held here. Ann DeNevers gave an interesting talk on Problems of Youth followed by questions.

The booklet, "One Kind of Communication" will be

10-27-71 passed around for members to read.

It is suggested that a letter be sent to President Nixon in protest of the nuclear test to be made in Alaska. It is approved.

A form letter has been received to protest the censure of the astronauts for reading from the Bible while orbiting the moon in December, 1968, which has been advocated by Madeline Murray O'Hair. We approve of asking all interested persons to sign and send this letter to the Aeronautics Center in Houston, Texas.

The nominating committee is reminded to present a list of officers and committees for 1972 at the next meeting.

After conferring with several members, it is suggested that the chairman of the caretakers make out a schedule and ask a family to be responsible for janitor work in the Meeting House for a period of two weeks on a rotating basis.

A request from A F S C New England regional office asks support for work in rehabilitation, reconstruction, social changes and peace. We approve of sending $30 for an artificial limb for a child in Vietnam.

A letter from Yearly Meeting Equalization Fund Committee urges all Meetings to consider contributions in the 1972 budget.

The A F S C clothing center in Cambridge asks if anyone is available to help at the center. Because of the distance involved we feel this is a physical impossibility.

A letter from Friends World Committee informs us that members of the staff and officers were present at twenty-five Yearly Meetings during the spring and summer.

10-27-71 A copy of the epistle from the 1971 Quaker Youth Pilgramage is included.

Ann De Nevers and Douglas Anderson are interested in starting a counselling service. It is recommended that the Peace and Social Concerns committee draw up a definite program and estimate of possible cost and present it to next Monthly Meeting.

It is suggested that $25 be sent to Providence Meeting to help on expense of sending clothing to AFSC in Philadelphia since Providence Friends process clothing from our Meeting. This is approved.

It is suggested and approved that the Meeting send $35 to the Minute 60 Committee.

Since the next regular date for Monthly Meeting is the night before Thanksgiving, it is approved that the Meeting be held the following Monday, Nov. 29.

Our business being accomplished, we conclude.
Bessie F. Ewen, Clerk.

12-29-71 At Smithfield Monthly Meeting of Friends held at Woonsocket December 29, 1971.

The November meeting was cancelled on account of sickness and bad weather. Minutes of the October meeting are read and approved.

10 present

The Treasurer's report shows a balance of $978.11 in General Fund October 31, 1971 and $1301.34 November 30, 1971.

The sunshine committee reports that the Ladies Aid gave Christmas gifts to six shut-ins.

The nominating committee presents the following slate of officers and committees for 1972. It is approved.

12-29-71

OFFICERS— 1972

CLERK - BESSIE EWEN
ASSISTANT CLERK - RUTH C. SMITH
TREASURER - KENNETH STROBEL
ASSISTANT TREASURER - LOUISE CORRIGAN

ELDERS

1972	1973	1974
EUNICE STROBEL	ERNEST SMITH	MARJORIE DOYLE
ANN deNEVERS	WILMA SMITH	LAURISTON SMITH
RUTH C. SMITH	ADELINE RANDALL	LAURA FOLLETT

CARETAKERS - LOUISE TABER, LESTER TABER, NELLIE FISHER, LAURISTON SMITH, LESLIE FOLLETT
CEMETERIES - LESLIE FOLLETT, LAURISTON SMITH, LESTER TABER
CHRISTIAN EDUCATION - MARTHA SMITH, EUNICE STROBEL, MARJORIE DOYLE, ADELINE RANDALL, NELLIE FISHER
FINANCE & STEWARDSHIP - LOUISE CORRIGAN, WILMA SMITH, LESTER TABER, ELEANOR MOWRY, KENNETH STROBEL, EX. OFFICIO
FLOWER - ADELINE RANDALL, MARION ROSS, EVELYN PERRON, DOROTHY MOWRY, WILMA SMITH
MISSIONARY - BESSIE EWEN, LAURA FOLLETT
MUSIC - LOUISE CORRIGAN, RUTH L. SMITH, EUNICE STROBEL, MELITA FISHER
NOMINATING - MARJORIE DOYLE, ANN de NEVERS, ERNEST SMITH, NELLIE FISHER, RUTH C. SMITH
PEACE & SOCIAL CONCERNS - ANN de NEVERS, MELITA FISHER, NELLIE FISHER, ROBERT COOL, DORIS MOWRY
RELIEF - RUTH C. SMITH
SUNSHINE - LAURA FOLLETT, MARION ROSS, RUTH L. SMITH
USHERS - LAURISTON SMITH, KENNETH STROBEL

The 1% More Committee has changed its name to Right Sharing of World Resources. We are urged to consider contributing to this committee in our budget. Checks should be sent to Friends World Committee, 152A North 15th St., Philadelphia, Pa. 19102, earmarked for Right Sharing. The finance committee is directed to consider this in setting up a budget.

PAX World Fund offers information for investment in mutual funds aimed at making a contribution

12-29-71 to world peace. Shares are $10 each and a minimum of 100 Shares is required to open an account.

Friends General Conference sends information on Friends Meeting House Fund, Inc. Interest on investments in this fund is 5%.

A request has been received for use of the Meeting House for Girl Scout and Brownie meetings. Douglas Anderson is authorized to confer with the leader of the Scouts and work out details on a trial for one month.

Ann DeNevers reports for Peace and Social Concerns on proposed counselling to serve North Smithfield citizens. The plan is to meet one evening a week on Thursdays and is for families, parents, drop-outs from school. No set fee is planned, but clients may contribute from $1 to $10 a session depending on family economics. An advisory board is sought to be of people from various professions. They request a sum of $50 for advertising to start program. It will be called Friends Counselling Service. The meeting approves wholeheartedly. They request that Eve Fournier, a regular attender, be allowed to work with the committee. This is approved,

Notice is received of a special program for marriage enrichment is planned by Yearly Meeting Ministry & Counsel. The first week-end is to be at Lincoln School Jan. 28-30. Ministry & Counsel is requested to try and find some couple from our meeting to attend.

There is some dissatisfaction about the janitor work in the meeting house. The question is to find someone who would be responsible. Two suggestions are made, one for a part-time janitor, another to contact Mi Casa for a youth. Clerk is to notify the caretakers.

As our pastor is giving more time and service than we have received for some time, it is suggested that $30 a month travelling expenses be paid with an amount of $100 added for September to end of year 1971.

12-29-71 Our business being accomplished, we adjourn.

Bessie F. Ewen, Clerk

1-26-72 At Smithfield Monthly Meeting of Friends held at Woonsocket, R.I. Jan. 26, 1972.

Minutes of last meeting are read and approved.

Treasurer's report shows a balance of $1123.80 in General Fund Dec. 31, 1971.

7 present

Sunshine committee reports two get-well cards sent this month.

The finance committee presents the following budget:

SMITHFIELD MONTHLY MEETING OF FRIENDS

BUDGET FOR 1972

PASTOR'S SALARY	2400.00
PASTOR'S TRAVEL ALLOWANCE	360.00
UNITED BUDGET	360.00
RELIEF FUND	500.00
HEAT	500.00
WATER	50.00
ELECTRICITY	50.00
INSURANCE	365.00
MISCELLANEOUS (SUPPLIES)	100.00
CHRISTIAN EDUCATION COMMITTEE	50.00
PEACE + SOCIAL CONCERNS COMMITTEE	25.00
CHRISTIAN OUTREACH (ALLOCATED BY MONTHLY MEETING)	150.00
EQUALIZATION FUND (N.E. YRLY. MTG.)	50.00
CARETAKER'S COMMITTEE	500.00
MUSIC COMMITTEE	20.00
FLOWER COMMITTEE	20.00
TOTAL	5500.00

Budget is approved as presented.

A concern has been expressed about only one person being on the relief committee. It is approved that the name of Laura Follett be added to this committee.

Friends World Committee offers a list of publications, they request support of work in North Ireland. It is the feeling of the Meeting that we need to meet

1-26-72

SMITHFIELD MONTHLY MEETING
OF FRIENDS
Year Ending 12-31-71

Balance on Hand 1-1-71		$ 1476.42
RECEIPTS 1971		
Collections - Envelopes	$ 3356.22	
" - United Budget	594.20	
Investments	1733.58	
Rent - Parsonage	595.00	
Ladies Aid Society	100.00	
Lloyd Arnold Memorial Fund - Flowers	17.00	
Lloyd Arnold Organ Fund	20.00	
Return from Pendleton Fund	32.71	
American Friends Service Committee	50.00	
Minute #60	50.00	
North Smithfield Garden Club	3.00	
China Camp Fund	30.00	
Total Receipts 1971		$ 6581.71
EXPENSES 1971		
Pastor's Salary	$ 1800.00	
Ministerial Supply	245.00	
Janitor's Salary	160.00	
Lagace N.E. Oil	449.96	
Balackstone Valley Electric Co.	46.54	
City of Woonsocket- Water Pars. 30.81 Mtg 21.09	51.90	
Relief	340.00	
Repairs - Meeting House	435.00	
Repairs - Parsonage	197.63	
China Camp	150.00	
Transfer to Savings Accounts	1238.66	
R. P. Smith Insurance Agency	363.30	
Cleaning Drapes & Windows	51.80	
Quaker Life Advertisement	10.80	
Mundy Florist - Pendleton Fund	39.12	
Friend's Journal	5.00	
American Friend's Service Committee	105.00	
John Taylor - United Budget	905.25	
Committee on National Legislation	10.00	
Committee on Prison Visitation	10.00	
Minute 60	75.00	
Travel Expense	100.00	
Minute 74	25.00	
Miscellaneous	82.37	
Total Expenses 1971		$ 6897.33
		$ 1160.80

Balance on Hand General Fund	$ 1123.80
Lloyd Arnold Fund	17.00
Lloyd Arnold Organ Fund	20.00
	$ 1160.80

R. M. Strobel
Treasurer

1-26-72 obligations to Yearly Meeting committees.

Friends United Meeting sends advance notice of triennial sessions to be held at Green Lake, Wis. July 8-15.

Glenn Smith requests that his membership be transferred to Conscience Bay Meeting, St. James, Long Island where he now attends. This is granted with regret, although we are pleased to hear he is active in that meeting.

Ministry & Counsel reports that Edwin and Leona Hebert will attend the marriage enrichment retreat at Lincoln School Jan. 26-27. Monthly Meeting approves of helping on the expense.

Monthly Meeting approves of the Clerk serving as a representative to Quarterly Meeting Ministry & Counsel.

Sunday School reports a plan to use contents of the birthday bank for support of a ~~Friends~~ School - probably Piney Woods School in Tennessee.

Missionary Committee reports that no formal meetings have been held during 1971. Support has been given by the Meeting to Minutes 60 and 74 and American Friends Service Committee. The Ladies Aid has given to various national fund drives, the Woonsocket Milk Fund, the Friends Committee on Indian Affairs and N.E. Society of United Friends Women.

Annual report of Treasurer is attached.

No further business appearing, we conclude.
Bessie F. Ewen, Clerk

Finance Committee:- No formal meetings were held this year. The chairman conferred with the Treasurer as to the Meeting's finances from time to time, and since no formal requests were made to the committee, we deemed it not necessary to have a meeting. The letter from the previous year to the members, when the annual reports were sent out bore fruit. The members of this Meeting are to be complimented for their generosity and the Finance Committee will appreciate their continuing generosity for the Lord loves a cheerful giver.

Respectfully submitted,
Louise Corrigan, Chairman

2-23-72 At Smithfield Monthly Meeting of Friends held at Woonsocket, R.I. Feb 23, 1972

Minutes of last meeting are read and approved.

Treasurers' report shows a balance of $1234.92 in General Fund Jan 31, 1972.

Sunshine committee reports that valentines were sent to shut-ins.

A letter from AFSC reminds us of the need for funds to carry on relief work in Bangladesh. The Meeting approves of sending $50 for this work. Anyone who wishes may add to this amount.

It is time to prepare the annual statistical report. Clerk and assistant Clerk are appointed to do this.

A letter from Minute 60 committee gives a report of progress during their first year, and outlines proposed projects for the coming year. They stress the need for continued support. The letter will be turned over to Peace & Social Concerns for consideration.

Yearly Meeting Finance Committee sends an announcement of contributions from Monthly Meetings to date.

Sandwich Monthly Meeting sends notice of the death of Annie Rose (102) one of their oldest members. A memorial service is planned on March 5, 1972 at 3 PM.

Posters for Friends General Conference in June and FUM triennial sessions in July are at hand. The newsletter from Washington and brochure from Meeting School in Rindge, N.H. will be placed in the hall.

2-23-72 Douglas Anderson reports that one family is due to start counselling soon.

Question of a janitor is discussed once more. Suggestion is made and approved that the Clerk confer with chairman of the caretakers and see if something definite can be done.

Clerk is directed to confer with the Clerk of Quarterly Meeting and notify him that this Meeting feels discussion of Lincoln and Moses Brown Schools should not be held in April.

Our business being accomplished, we conclude

[illegible], Clerk

3-29-72 At Smithfield Monthly Meeting of Friends held at Woonsocket, R.I., March 29, 1972.

Minutes of last meeting are read and approved.

Treasurer's report shows a balance of $1033.53 in General Fund February 29, 1972.

7 present

The feeling of the Meeting is that Rev. John Hawkins should be paid for the expense of driving here to conduct the worship service. Due to a heavy snowfall the service was cancelled. We approve of sending $10, and the Clerk is directed to write a note of appreciation.

Before appointing representatives to Quarterly Meeting to be held here April 15, Queries 4 and 7 are read and considered. The following representatives are appointed; Martha Smith, Laura and Leslie Follett, Marjorie Doyle, Lauriston Smith and Ernest Smith.

Ruth C. Smith, Wilma Smith and Martha Smith are appointed to prepare dessert and beverage for Quarterly Meeting.

A workshop primarily for Ministry & Counsel will be at China Camp April 28-30. The theme - "The Revealing and Healing Light"

3-21-72 American Friends Service Committee 1971 report has been received.

A workshop will be held at Beacon Hill Friends House April 15.

A calendar of Yearly Meetings for 1972, the FCNL newsletter and Indian Progress have been received and will be placed in the hall.

Statistics for Smithfield Monthly Meeting for 1971

1.	Number of Members last year, DEC 31 1970				64
2.	Additions due to Omissions in last year's Report, 197				1
3.	Additions by Birth,				0
4.	Additions by Request, including from another Denomination,				1
5.	Additions by Certificate from another Friends Meeting,				1
6.	Total Additions,				3
7.	Loss due to Removal of persons included by Error in last year's Report,				0
8.	Loss by Death,				2
9.	Loss by Discontinuance, Resignation, or Disownment,				0
10.	Loss by Certificate to another Friends Meeting,				0
11.	Loss by Letter to another Denomination,				0
12.	Total Loss,				2
13.	Number of Members this Year, DEC 31 1971				65
14.	Net Gain,				1
15.	Net Loss,				0
16.	Number of Males,				26
17.	Number of Females,				39
18.	Number under 21 years of age,				3
19.	Number of Junior Members,				4
20.	Number of Junior Members Transferred to Active Membership,				0
21.	Number of Resident Members,				51
22.	Number of Non-Resident Members,				13
23.	Average Attendance at Sunday Worship (estimate),				20
24.	Average Attendance of Children at Sunday School,				9
25.	Average Attendance of Adults at Sunday School,				4
26.	Number of Sunday School Classes.				4
	PROVE ALL FIGURES AND TOTALS AS SUGGESTED BELOW.				

SUGGESTIONS.—To be sure that no mistakes occur in this report, observe the following.

1. See that No. 1 is correct as it was reported last year. If a mistake in last year's figures has been discovered since then, call it "Additions due to Omissions in last year's Report," (see No. 2) or "Loss due to Removal of persons included by Error in last year's Report," (see No. 7), as the case may be, and add or subtract as may be required to make No. 13 on this report exactly correct, then write a brief note of explanation on the report.
2. The addition of Nos. 2, 3, 4, and 5 will give No. 6; and of 7, 8, 9, 10, and 11 will give No. 12.
3. If No. 6 is larger than No. 12, subtract No. 12 from No. 6 to obtain No. 14; but if No. 12 is larger subtract No. 6 from No. 12 to obtain No. 15. Of course only one of the numbers 14 and 15 will have figures. If there is a "net gain," add No. 14 to No. 1 to obtain No. 13. If there is a "net loss," subtract No. 15 from No. 1 to obtain No. 13.
4. See that No. 13 is the same as the sum of 16 and 17, and of 21 and 22.
5. Keep your records corrected up to date. Good records make easy reports.
6. Keep on hand a copy of this report for future reference.

Bessie F. Evans
Clerk

3-21-72 American Friends Service Committee 1971 report has been received.

A workshop will be held at Beacon Hill Friends House April 15.

A calendar of Yearly Meetings for 1972, the FCNL newsletter and Indian Progress have been received and will be placed in the hall.

Notice has been received that Howard Bartram, General Secretary of FGC and Lorton Heusel, Gen. Sec. of FUM will be in this area April 27 for Providence and Smithfield Meetings. Discussion will be on the Religious Life of Friends. It is felt that Providence Meeting is more centrally located for this. Smithfield Meeting is willing to help as needed.

The statistical report is read and will be sent to Quarterly Meeting Clerk.

The State of Society report is read and approved and will be forwarded to Quarterly and Yearly Meeting.

The Meeting feels dissatisfied with the lack of a janitor, and requests the caretakers to meet and try to make arrangements for regular cleaning of the Meeting House, preferably to hire a janitor.

As Paul Adkins has agreed to show his slides of Israel at Quarterly Meeting it is suggested that the Meeting give him $10 for expenses. This is approved.

No further business appearing, we conclude.

Bessie F. Erwin, Clerk

4-26-72 At Smithfield Monthly Meeting of Friends held at Woonsocket, R.I. April 26, 1972.

Minutes of last meeting are read and approved with addition of the date to one minute

Treasurer's report shows a balance of $1059.13 in General Fund March 31, 1972

Representatives to Quarterly Meeting report that three attended and that the slides on Israel shown by Paul Adams were very much enjoyed.

Notice of Friends General Conference to be held at Ithaca College June 24 – July 1 has been received. Information on Camp Onas a Friends Camp in Ottsville, Pa. is also at hand.

A F S C. has sent an announcement of a Quaker Vigil to be held at the White House on May 3 to protest the bombing in Vietnam.

The music committee reports they held a meeting and discussed the problem of the organ which does not operate satisfactorily. They suggest that a letter be sent to members stating the problem and welcoming contributions to a fund for repairs or a new organ. This fund will be handled by Louise Brugan, chairman of the music committee, and a report made monthly.

The meeting approves of transferring the $20 Lloyd Arnold fund to this new account.

As the chairman of the caretakers is not present, a special meeting will be called after worship service on Sunday to discuss the janitor work.

Douglas Anderson informs us that a Youth Group from the Congregational Church in Acton, Mass. will be available June 18 to put on a puppet show "The Jesus Story" in present day language for the morning worship service. This has been very well received by adults and children. We approve of having them come here.

No further business appearing we conclude.

Jessie F. Ewen, Clerk

4-30-72 At a called meeting held after the worship service April 30, 1972.

The problem of the janitor is discussed. The chairman of the caretakers informs us that Edwin Hebert, a regular attender, is willing to do the work. We approve, and agree to pay him $30 a month for 2½ hours each week. When it should be necessary to put in extra time, he will be paid at the rate of $3 an hour.

Lagace Oil Co. has sent a notice that it is time to renew service insurance on the furnace for $24. We approve.

Bessie F. E'wen, Clerk

5-7-72 The caretakers requested a special meeting to consider resurfacing the driveway and putting in blacktop on the parking area. R.A. Bergesson quotes a price of $700 for the driveway, and $775 for the parking area, which would be excavated to a depth of twelve inches, filled with gravel and then hot top applied.

After a long discussion with no agreement, meeting is adjourned to next Sunday to give members time to consider the matter.

Bessie F. E'wen, Clerk.

5-14-72 At the end of meeting for worship, Friends gathered to consider the matter of resurfacing the driveway, and surfacing the parking area. It was approved to have only the driveway done at this time, with the matter to be referred to the finance committee first.

Bessie F. E'wen, Clerk

5-31-72 At Smithfield Monthly Meeting of Friends held at Woonsocket, R.I., May 31, 1972

Minutes of last meeting are read and approved.

The Treasurer's report shows a balance of $953 36 in General Fund April 30, 1972.

3 present

This is the time to appoint representatives to Yearly Meeting and one member to each of following

5-31-72 committees FINANCE - Kenneth Strobel
MINISTRY & COUNSEL - Ruth C. Smith
NOMINATING - Eunice Strobel

As so few members are in attendance Clerk is authorized to confer with members who might serve and forward names to Yearly Meeting. Bessie Owen is appointed as representative.

The repair man from Sprague Oil Co. informs us that we ought to replace the oil burner. Clerk is to ask the caretakers to contact the oil company and report the cost of a new burner at next meeting.

A F S C Boston office sends information on prison visitation being done throughout the country along with a brochure on ways of individual contributing to their expenses in future years. The Meeting does not feel it wise to contribute at this time.

Friends World Committee asks for financial support for conferences to seek spiritual renewal and unity. This should be deferred to a later date.

Friends Journal sends leaflets about a book, "Friendly Heritages," a collection of essays by Henry Cadbury.

Promoting Enduring Peace, Inc. - Woodmont, Conn. offers a list of available literature, information on a Summer tour to Europe, a Fall tour to India & Nepal and asks for financial support. The Meeting prefers to support Quaker projects.

Clerk is requested to check with caretakers and ask them to obtain two more bids on the driveway, and report at the next business meeting.

No further business appearing, we conclude.
Bessie E. Owen, Clerk

6-28-72 At Smithfield Monthly Meeting of Friends ~~h h~~ held at Woonsocket, R.I. June 28, 1972

Minutes of last meeting are read and approved.

Treasurer's report shows a balance of $404.31 in General Fund May 31, 1972.

Sunshine Committee reports that a plant was sent to Melita Fisher while she was in the hospital

7 present Queries 1 and 8 are read and considered before appointing representatives to Quarterly Meeting to be held in Westerly, R.I. July 15. The following are appointed - Lauriston and Ruth Smith, Eunice Strobel and Bessie Owen.

Carol MacLean requests the use of the Meeting House for her wedding September 2, and for reception downstairs if it rains. We approve

Bids for resurfacing the driveway are Woonsocket Improvement Co $1200, Trudeau $900 and R.A. Bergesson $700. We approve of having Bergesson do the work for $700 as quoted—$200 to be charged to Caretakers budget, the balance from invested funds.

Ce Eloise Associated Companies through Lagace New England Oil Co. offers to put a new oil burner in the Meeting House furnace for a charge of $39.95 a year for five years which includes a five year service contract. As the old burner has needed much work this past season, we approve of having it replaced.

A F S C sends notice of two conferences to be held during the summer at Camp A-himsa in Voluntown, Conn.

Friends World Committee send a newsletter and notice of tri-ennial committee meeting to be held in Sydney, Australia August 18-25, 1973. They also state a need for contributions to meet their budget. We do not feel free to contribute at this time

RUSSELL BROOKS A Memory

Russell Brooks came to Smithfield Meeting when I was a teenager. For me, it was the proper time for Russell Brooks to arrive. There were questions of faith and practice and problems of education and proper commitment; these concerns were patiently dealt with: indeed, many more.

The account of the beginning of my personal relationship with Russell Brooks is important only because I suspect there are many who share the feeling that Russell arrived for them at the proper time.

Although distance separated many of us from Russell, most of us always knew of his continued inspirational life. For me, it was always a special occasion when we were reunited for some purpose.

His presence was felt as a concerned and committed Friend, his faith easily revealed to others. My gratitude to Russell, who in his pursuit of the Light was in large part revealing the Light to others.

Stuart P. Smith
July, 1972

6-28-72 Douglas Anderson reports that the counselling service has held twenty-one sessions. They have worked with two families and one individual, and plan to continue through July. No sessions in August, but hope to start again in September.

As has been the custom for several years, no meetings for worship will be held during August and the first Sunday in September. Regular worship will resume September 10 at 11 o'clock.

Clerk is directed to write a note to the Ladies Aid expressing appreciation for their donation to Monthly Meeting.

Next meeting for business will be at the call of the Clerk.

Our business being accomplished, we conclude.
Bessie F. Erwin, Clerk

9-27-72 At Smithfield Monthly Meeting of Friends held at Woonsocket, R.I., September 27, 1972.

Minutes of last meeting are read and approved.

Treasurers report shows a balance of $398.76 in General Fund Aug. 31, 1972. Earnings on invested funds are 6 present down, and balance at end of September is very low.

Queries 9 and 11 are read and considered before appointing the following representatives to Quarterly Meeting to be held in Providence October 21 - Bessie Erwin, Martha Smith, Eunice Strobel, Lanniston and Ruth Smith.

Friends General Conference sends sample leaflets suitable to pass out to visitors and inquirers. These will be placed on the table in the hall.

A letter from Louise Bruyn and Marjorie Swan tells about the Quaker Center in Paris where assistance is given to a wide variety of people — Buddists, 9-27-72 Catholics, Union of Vietnamese residents and United States servicemen. Meeting for worship is held every Sunday morning for French Friends, visiting Quakers and other visitors. There is also a program of education and recreation for poor children, especially those from the Algerian community. With less than one hundred Quakers in all of France, it is amazing that they continue to support this Center although English Friends contribute help.

A letter of thanks is read from John A. Hawkins for check sent him to cover the expense of coming here in a heavy snowstorm last March to conduct the worship service which had to be cancelled.

Douglas Anderson reports that he conducted funeral services for Emerson Mowry July 26.

On August 19 he was the minister at the marraige of Donald Stockdale and Muriel Klebes.

Then on Sept 2 he performed the ceremony at the marraige of George Merrit and Carol McLean.

A concern is voiced about the small attendance at morning meetings. Ministry and Counsel will consider the matter.

Our business being concluded, we adjourn.

Bessie F. Erwin, Clerk

10-25-72 At Smithfield Monthly Meeting held at Woonsocket, R.I. October 25, 1972.

Minutes of last meeting are read and approved.

The treasurer's report shows a balance of $374.85 in General Fund Sept. 30, 1972.

7 present

The representatives report that three attended Quarterly Meeting and enjoyed a talk on "Artists as Activists." This included musicians and authors as well as painters, and gave us some understanding of the impression each made in his own society.

10-25-72 The North Smithfield Garden Club requests the use of the Meeting House for February 10 and April 14, 1973. This is approved.

Friends General Conference sends a letter asking for volunteers to help plan a conference in the mid-west in June, 1973 and the large conference in 1974.

Friends in Middlebury Vermont send a sample of note paper made from re-cycled paper - available at 10¢ each.

Minute 74 committee asks that the scholarship fund for disadvantaged students in Friends schools be considered in the budget. It is suggested and approved that we send $25 to this fund.

The Executive committee of Yearly Meeting asks questions which will be circulated among several members for consideration, then discussed at next Monthly Meeting.

Kevin Smith requests that his name be removed from membership. It is tentatively granted with regret, and Clerk is requested to write a note asking him to reconsider the matter.

Kenny Strobel sends a note thanking the Meeting for financial help for his stay at China Camp in August.

Ruth C Smith informs us that Ministry and Counsel met recently and discussed attendance at morning meetings. They have contacted members and attenders who have not been coming lately hoping to increase interest in the Meeting. From Yearly Meeting our attention is directed to three marraige enrichment programs to be held during the year.

It is suggested that the Meeting collect food offerings the Sunday before Thanksgiving to be given to a needy family. We approve.

10-25-72 The observance of World Community Day, sponsored by the Woonsocket group of Church Women United will be held in the Meeting House Nov. 12 at 7:30 P.M.

No further business appearing, we adjourn.
Bessie F. Ewen, Clerk

11-29-72 At Smithfield Monthly Meeting of Friends held at Woonsocket, R.I. November 29, 1972

Minutes of last meeting are read and approved.

The Treasurer's report shows a balance of $767.00 in General Fund October 31, 1972.

The AFSC sends an appeal for funds. We approve of sending $25 to help their work.

The 57th Street Meeting of Friends in Chicago asks consideration of contributing funds for relief work in North Vietnam. The Sense of the Meeting is that this should be deferred for the time being.

Yearly Meeting announces that slides on the triennial sessions of Friends United Meeting are available. Also, slides on Quaker Life can be had from Richmond, Ind. for a fee of $1.00. This will be kept in mind.

Yearly Meeting asks to have information on property held by the Meeting up-dated. Clerk and Louise Corrigan are authorized to fill out the form.

AFSC in Cambridge sends information about workshops on Learning Through Engagement to be held at various Colleges and Universities. This will be referred to Peace and Social Concerns committee.

Friends United Meeting sends minutes of the triennial sessions and encloses leaflets on available material. This is referred to Ministry and Counsel.

Project Equality sends a copy of Buyer's Guide

11-29-72 which lists business firms who support equal opportunity to workers regardless of race or color. This will be placed on table in the hall.

Copies of news letter, Friends World News and Quaker Service will also be placed in the hall.

Danielle deNevers requests membership in the Meeting. Ministry and Counsel recommend that she be accepted and that Clerk write and inform her of this and let her know that members of Ministry and Counsel are available to discuss any questions which may arise. This is approved.

The recent letter from Yearly Meeting asking opinion of services provided by Field Secretary and office staff is discussed. The feeling is that the Field Secretary has served our Meeting to the best of his ability wherever help has been needed. The workshops set up by committees are very helpful and should be continued. If the present arrangement for Youth and Education proves to be effective it should be continued considering the tight budget of Yearly Meeting. If this does not work, the Meeting approves of returning to a full-time Youth worker.

Douglas Anderson informs us that Danielle deNevers and Richard Feins request of the Meeting House for their marraige ~~on~~ June 30 and Helen Carter and Dennis Vallee make the same request for June 2, 1973. We approve.

5-30-73 Douglas Anderson informed the Meeting that Helen Carter & Dennis Vallee changed their plans and were married early in 1973.

A memorial service was held for Harold Thayer Nov. 28 who died when his house burned Nov. 24. This house was used for Friends Meetings before a Meeting House was built. Robert Cool conducted the service in the manner of Friends.

Douglas Anderson suggests that funds for Counselling service be in charge of Ann deNevers, chairman of Peace & Social Concerns. This is approved.

Bessie Owen reported that the bags of food contributed

11-29-72 for Thanksgiving were delivered to two families, one a recent widow who was very appreciative.

There is some criticism of the janitor work so it is suggested that a letter be written to Edwin Hebert listing things that need to be cleaned. This is approved and Ruth C. Smith is appointed to write the letter.

Our business being accomplished, we conclude.
Bessie F. Ewen, Clerk

12-27-72 At Smithfield Monthly Meeting of Friends held at Woonsocket, RI Dec. 27, 1972

Minutes of last meeting are read and approved.

Treasurer's report shows a balance of $617.00 in General Fund November 30, 1972.

The nominating committee presents the following list of officers and committees for 1973

Officers - 1973

Clerk	Bessie Ewen
Ass't. Clerk	Ruth C. Smith
Treasurer	Kenneth Strobel
Asst. Treasurer	Louise Corrigan

Elders

1973	1974	1975
Ernest Smith	Marjorie Doyle	Eunice Strobel
Wilma Smith	Lauriston Smith	Melita B. Fisher
Adeline Randall	Laura Follett	Ruth C. Smith

Caretakers - Louise Taber, Nellie Fisher, Lauriston Smith, Leslie Follett

Cemeteries - Leslie Follett, Lauriston Smith, Leste Taber

Christian Education - Martha Smith, Eunice Strobel, Marjorie Doyle, Adeline Randall, Nellie Fisher, Danielle de Nevers

Finance + Stewardship - Louise Corrigan, Wilma Smith, Lester Taber, Ernest Smith, Kenneth Strobel, ex officio

12-27-72 FLOWERS - ADELINE RANDALL, MARION ROSS, DOROTHY MOWRY, WILMA SMITH

MISSIONARY - BESSIE EWEN, LAURA FOLLETT

MUSIC - LOUISE CORRIGAN, RUTH L. SMITH, EUNICE STROBEL, MELITA FISHER

NOMINATING - MARJORIE DOYLE, ANN DENEVERS, RUTH C. SMITH, ERNEST SMITH, NELLIE FISHER

PEACE & SOCIAL CONCERNS - ANN DENEVERS, MELITA FISHER, NELLIE FISHER, ROBERT COOL, DORIS MOWRY

RELIEF - RUTH C. SMITH, LAURA FOLLETT

SUNSHINE - MARION ROSS, LAURA FOLLETT, RUTH L. SMITH

USHERS - LAURISTON SMITH, KENNETH M. STROBEL, KENNETH STROBEL

It is approved.

Committees chairmen are reminded to present annual reports at the next monthly meeting.

Friends Council on Education in Philadelphia request financial support. The feeling of the Meeting is that we should support F U M for wider fields of endeavor.

Friends General Conference sends information on Meeting House Fund, available for loans to build new meeting houses.

F C N L newsletter, Quaker House News, Fayetteville, N.C. and news from Friendsville Academy will be placed in the hall.

No further business appearing, we conclude.
Bessie F. Ewen, Clerk

1-31-73 At Smithfield Monthly Meeting of Friends held at Woonsocket, R.I. Jan. 31, 1973.

Minutes of last meeting are read and approved.

Treasurer's report shows a balance of $42.71 in General Fund Dec. 31, 1972.

A letter of thanks from [illegible] Committee is read for our continuing financial support.

1-31-73 A request for funds from Cerebral Palsy is referred to Ladies Aid.

A letter from George School in Newtown, Pa. asks for names of High School age pupils.

Friends World Committee sends a directory of Yearly Meetings around the world.

Industrial National Bank informs us that we are co-benefactors with Woonsocket Hospital under the will of Mae D Todd following the death of her daughter, Lillian. A later letter states that Lillian left no funds for burial expenses and requests our permission to use not more than $2,000 to defray these expenses. It is approved.

Yearly Meeting sends forms for the annual statistical report. Clerk and Assistant Clerk are directed to prepare this.

A request from Yearly Meeting for assistance to send representatives to the triennial meeting of Friends World Committee in Australia in August, 1973 is read. We approve of sending $10 toward this fund.

A suggestion is made that Douglas Anderson be paid an additional $~~15~~ 25 a month traveling expense retroactive to Jan. 1. This is approved.

Eunice Strobel expresses a concern about representation on Committees of New England Yearly Meeting and asks that members offer to serve on Committees which suit their interest.

ANNUAL REPORTS

Ann deNevers reports that the Counselling service served 10 people 2 families through 1972, taking time out during the summer. North Smithfield Welfare service wants to actively participate and plan to meet with Douglas Anderson and Ann to discuss ways to do so.

1-31-73 TREASURER'S REPORT FOR YEAR ENDING DEC. 31, 1972

BALANCE ON HAND GENERAL FUND 1-1-72			$1123.80
" LLOYD ARNOLD FLOWER FUND			17.00
" " " ORGAN FUND			20.00
TOTAL BALANCE ON HAND 1-1-72			1160.80
RECEIPTS - 1972			
COLLECTIONS - ENVELOPES		$3412.75	
" - UNITED BUDGET		724.78	
INVESTED FUNDS		1392.67	
RETURN FRM. PENDLETON FLOWER FUND		39.12	
LLOYD ARNOLD FLOWER FUND		3.00	
SALES OF FAITH & PRACTICE		1.50	
CHRISTMAS OFFERING		74.50	
THANKSGIVING OFFERING		5.00	
WOONSOCKET INST. FOR SAVINGS - FOR DRIVEWAY		500.00	
LADIES AID SOCIETY		100.00	
MISCELLANEOUS - MRS. JEWELL		25.00	
INDIVIDUAL DONATIONS FOR:			
MINUTE 60		150.00	
MINUTE 74		20.00	
AFSC - BANGLADESH		25.00	
AMERICAN FRIENDS SERVICE COMMITTEE		25.00	
CHINA CAMP SCHOLARSHIPS		45.00	
NORTH SMITHFIELD GARDEN CLUB		3.00	
TOTAL RECEIPTS 1972			$6586.52
			7747.32
EXPENSES - 1972			
PASTOR'S SALARY		2400.00	
" TRAVEL EXPENSE		330.00	
JANITORIAL EXPENSE		225.00	
RELIEF - GRACE McNAMARA	$100.00		
RICHARD McNAMARA	240.00	340.00	
LAGACE N.E. OIL CO.		522.29	
CITY OF WOONSOCKET - WATER - PARSONAGE	26.40		
MTG. HOUSE	17.35	43.75	
MUNDY'S FLORISTS 'PENDLETON		55.23	
BLACKSTONE VALLEY ELECTRIC		70.01	
R.P. SMITH INSURANCE AGENCY		356.40	
BOUTIETTE-GAULIN - E BLACKSTONE MTG.		25.00	
QUARTERLY MEETING EXPENSE		16.00	
CARRIED FORWARD		4383.68	

TREASURER'S REPORT

1-31-73

CASH RECEIPTS BROUGHT FORWARD		$7747.32
EXPENSES BROUGHT FORWARD	$4383.68	
REPAIRS & MAINTENANCE IN PARSONAGE	94 03	
R. BERGESSON — DRIVEWAY	700.00	
TRANSFER FROM INVESTMENTS TO SAVINGS	262.29	
N. E. YEARLY MEETING TREASURER — UB	1064.98	
EQUALIZATION FUND	50.00	
MINUTE 60	150.00	
MINUTE 74	45.00	
CHINA CAMP SCHOLARSHIPS	45.00	
ORGAN FUND COMMITTEE	20.00	
AFSC - BANGLADESH	25.00	
FRIENDS UNITED MEETING - BANGLADESH	50.00	
AFSC - UNALLOCATED	50.00	
JANITOR'S SUPPLIES	21.06	
CONFERENCE AT LINCOLN SCHOOL	30.00	
COUNSELLING SERVICE	17.92	
FAITH & PRACTICE	6.00	
MINISTERIAL SUPPLY	10.00	
CHRISTIAN EDUCATION COMM.	2.85	
SUNSHINE COMMITTEE	6.00	
QUAKER LIFE AD.	10.80	
MUSIC COMMITTEE	10.00	
MISCELLANEOUS	4.00	
TOTAL EXPENSE 1972		$7058.61
BALANCE ON HAND 12-31-72		$688.71

BALANCE ON HAND GENERAL FUND	$643.71
" LLOYD ARNOLD FLOWERS	20.00
" MISCELLANEOUS	25.00
	688.71

CARETAKERS

The caretakers report that several routine repairs have been carried out through the year, and the driveway has been resurfaced.

CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

Our main concentration was on the Sunday School although we did provide devotional reading material for shut ins and anyone else who wished it.

1-31-73 An average of between 12 and 15 attended Sunday School classes, divided into 3 groups - pre-school, primary and junior. Our birthday bank monies were contributed to Piney Woods School in
A series of missionary stories was presented during opening exercises. We had three parties - Valentine, Summer picnic and Christmas. The children entertained the Congregation and friends with a lovely candlelight service at Christmastime.

Our minister, Douglas Anderson, started an adult study group last Fall which is showing good attendance and interest.

We would like to have a Young Friends group meeting regularly, but although each person has been invited individually, not enough interest has been shown to organize such a group. However, some of these Youths are attending groups in other Churches on a fairly regular basis.

I would like to thank Mr. & Mrs. Anderson, Nellie Fisher, Louise Taber, the teachers and committee members for their helpful assistance throughout the year.

Respectfully submitted,
Martha M. Smith, Ch.

FINANCE

The finance committee met twice this year. The first meeting was a joint meeting with chairmen of all Committees requiring money to formulate the budget.

The second meeting was for the purpose of discussing the financing for paving the driveway which was not included in the budget. It was decided to take $4000 out of the emergency fund and $[illegible] from the budgeted caretakers fund.

Respectfully submitted,
Louise Corrigan Ch.

MISSIONARY

During the year Contributions have been made to AFSC, Minute 74 Committee and China Camp. The Ladies Aid has contributed to United Fund, Heart Fund, Milk Fund, CARE, a local relief fund and to United Society of Friends Women of N.E.

[illegible], Ch.

1-31-73

Music

The music committee met twice during the year to discuss the possibility of raising funds to purchase a new organ. It was decided that a letter would be sent out to all members and attenders stating our aim. Attached is a copy of letter sent out.

There is #335.70 in the account as of Jan. 2, 1973.

At the second meeting it was decided to have

Statistics for Smithfield Monthly Meeting for 1972

1. Number of Members last year, Dec. 31, 1971				65
2. Additions due to Omissions in last year's Report, Dec. 31, 1971				0
3. Additions by Birth,				0
4. Additions by Request, including from another Denomination,				1
5. Additions by Certificate from another Friends Meeting,				0
6. Total Additions,				1
7. Loss due to Removal of persons included by Error in last year's Report, Dec. 31, 1971				0
8. Loss by Death,				1
9. Loss by Discontinuance, Resignation, or Disownment,				1
10. Loss by Certificate to another Friends Meeting,				1
11. Loss by Letter to another Denomination,				0
12. Total Loss,				3
13. Number of Members this Year, Dec. 31, 1972				63
14. Net Gain,				0
15. Net Loss,				2
16. Number of Males,				24
17. Number of Females,				39
18. Number under 21 years of age,				2
19. Number of Junior Members,				4
20. Number of Junior Members Transferred to Active Membership,				0
21. Number of Resident Members,				47
22. Number of Non-Resident Members,				16
23. Average Attendance at Sunday Worship (estimate),				19
24. Average Attendance of Children at Sunday School,				11
25. Average Attendance of Adults at Sunday School,				5
26. Number of Sunday School Classes.				3
PROVE ALL FIGURES AND TOTALS AS SUGGESTED BELOW.				

SUGGESTIONS.—To be sure that no mistakes occur in this report, observe the following.

1. See that No. 1 is correct as it was reported last year. If a mistake in last year's figures has been discovered since then, call it "Additions due to Omissions in last year's Report," (see No. 2) or "Loss due to Removal of persons included by Error in last year's Report," (see No. 7), as the case may be, and add or subtract as may be required to make No. 13 on this report exactly correct, then write a brief note of explanation on the report.
2. The addition of Nos. 2, 3, 4, and 5 will give No. 6; and of 7, 8, 9, 10, and 11 will give No. 12.
3. If No. 6 is larger than No. 12, subtract No. 12 from No. 6 to obtain No. 14; but if No. 12 is larger subtract No. 6 from No. 12 to obtain No. 15. Of course only one of the numbers 14 and 15 will have figures. If there is a "net gain," add No. 14 to No. 1 to obtain No. 13. If there is a "net loss," subtract No. 15 from No. 1 to obtain No. 13.
4. See that No. 13 is the same as the sum of 16 and 17, and of 21 and 22.
5. Keep your records corrected up to date. Good records make easy reports.
6. Keep on hand a copy of this report for future reference.

Bessie F. Given
Clerk

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At the second meeting it was decided to have Jean Anderson play at the Dec. 24th Meeting for worship for which she received $10.00.

Louise Corrigan, Ch.

No further business appearing, we conclude.

Bessie F. Ewen, Clerk

At Smithfield Monthly Meeting of Friends held at Woonsocket, R.I. Feb. 28, 1973

Minutes of last meeting are read and approved.

Treasurer's rpt. shows a balance of $552.01 in General Fund Jan. 31, 1973.

A note from Worcester informs us that a memorial service for Agnes Harrison will be held Saturday March 17 at 2 P.M. at Pleasant St. Meeting House.

There will be a worship-sharing week-end March 30 - April 1 at Farrington Memorial Conference Center in Lincoln, Mass.

Posters for Friends General Conference in Richmond, Ind. June 23-30 are received.

An appeal from Association For the Blind is referred to the Ladies Aid.

The statistical report is read and approved and will be sent to Quarterly Meeting Clerk.

As Smithfield Meeting is host to Quarterly Meeting, a possible speaker for the program is discussed.

2-28-73 Clayton Drowne of Worcester who has been working in Mexico and England for several years is back and suggested. Clerk will contact him to find out if he will speak.

A suggestion is made that the Meeting send congratulations to Shirley Renaud and Miriam Brooks Thornton on birth of new babies. This is approved.

A discussion on the feasibility of having a pot luck lunch after morning Meeting brings the suggestion that this be tried for April 29. Further plans will be made at next meeting.

Our business being accomplished, we conclude.

Bessie F. Evans, Clerk

3-28-73 At Smithfield Monthly Meeting of Friends held at Woonsocket, R.I. March 28, 1973

Minutes of last meeting are read and approved.

Treasurer's report shows a balance of $599.14 in General Fund Feb. 28, 1973.

A note from Shirley Renaud thanks the Meeting for a baby card sent to her and sends warm greetings to all.

A letter from Woolman Hill, Deerfield, Mass. informs us they are once more going to serve as a conference center and requests funds to help replace beds and bunks lost in a fire and for general upkeep. As outstanding bills are large, it is approved that this appeal be tabled until a later date.

The State of Society report is read. With the addition of report on the Sunday School and the adult study group it is approved.

Queries 4 and 7 are read and considered before appointing representatives to Quarterly Meeting on April 21 here. Ann deNevers, Bessie Evans, Melita Fisher, Lauriston Smith, Ernest and Ruth L. Smith are appointed.

3-28-73 Ruth C. and Wilma Smith are appointed to make preparations for the lunch.

It is suggested that the Clerk make enquiries among ~~ent~~ attenders about a pot-luck lunch after Meeting for worship April 29. If it seems favorable, Clerk is authorized to appoint a committee to prepare for the lunch.

As Ernest and Ruth L. Smith are married 50 years this month it is suggested that note of this could be made at the April 29 lunch.

It is suggested and approved that the Meeting send $50 to the equalization fund for Yearly Meeting.

Since Edmund Edwin and Leona Hebert have been very slow in sending a letter requesting membership in the Meeting, Ministry & Counsel is requested to confer with them.

Letters requesting financial aid from AFSC and Prisoner Visitation and Support are tabled as funds are very low at present.

No further business appearing, we conclude.
Bessie F. Ewen, Clerk

4-25-73 At Smithfield Monthly Meeting of Friends held at Woonsocket, R.I. April 25, 1973

Minutes of last meeting are read and approved.

7 present Treasurer's report shows a balance of $15.41 in General Fund March 31, 1973. He informs us that the balance is a bit improved at the present date.

Representatives to Quarterly Meeting report that all but two who were appointed attended. It was a good meeting, and those present enjoyed a talk by Laban Masimba, a student at Clark University from Kenya. He gave an interesting account of life in his country along with some of his impressions of the United States. He stressed the

4-25-73 great influence that Quakers had in shaping East Africa Yearly Meeting.

The request for membership from Ed~~mon~~mund + Leona Hebert is read. We are pleased to welcome them as members, and will extend the right hand of fellowship at Morning Meeting.

A F S C sends several program information publications which will be placed in the hall. Preliminary announcement of two one-week institutes to be held in New England are included.

Bessie Ewen reports that plans are underway for the pot-luck lunch on April 29 at which Ernest and Ruth Smith will be ~~honored~~ remembered in recognition of their 50th wedding anniversary. Adeline Randall and Ruth C. Smith will assist in preparations.

A request for funds for underpriveleged children to go to summer camp from Cambridge Meeting is read. It is felt that this should be left to individuals who wish to help.

Douglas Anderson informs the Meeting that his plans call for a move to the West in August.

We approve of sending $10 to the Holly B. + Jeffrey D. Smith Memorial Fund at the Eunice Kennedy Shriver Research Center in Waltham, Mass.

The chairman of the Sunshine Committee is authorized to call on the Treasurer up to the amount of $10 for the year 1973 to cover cost of greeting cards and postage.

Douglas Anderson will be absent on May 20 for graduation. It is suggested that the Clerk and Ministry + Counsel make arrangement for the service. It is approved.

Our business being accomplished, we conclude.

Bessie F. Ewen, Clerk

5-30-73 At Smithfield Monthly Meeting of Friends held at Woonsocket, R.I., May 31, 1973.

Minutes of last meeting are read and approved.

Treasurer's report shows a balance of $404.44 in General Fund April 30, 1973.

This is the meeting to appoint representatives to Yearly Meeting and one member to each of three Committees - Finance - Louise Corrigan
We appoint Ministry + Counsel - Ruth C. Smith
Nominating - Eunice Strobel
For representatives - Eunice Strobel and Bessie Ewen.

A request from the Committee for Releasing Young Friends for support is read. This will be referred to members for individual contributions.

A letter from the Peace Committee asks that letters to Senator Pastore be sent asking support to the bill on ending the draft for military service. The Peace and Social Concerns Committee are asked to draft a letter to be signed by members of the Meeting.

A request from Danielle deNevers to have Kenneth and Eunice Strobel, Bessie Ewen and Robert Cool serve as overseers at her marraige to Robert Wiens on June 30, 1973 is read. This is approved.

The Music Committee informs us that the Westport Meeting has offered a gift of an organ which is in need of repairs as they heard we are working toward a replacement for our present organ. The Music Committee is authorized to investigate the matter and decide on whether or not it is wise to accept this offer.

It is approved to have worship service at 10 o'clock starting June 19 through July and the first Sunday in September.

No further business appearing, we conclude.

Bessie F. Ewen, Clerk

6-27-73 At Smithfield Monthly Meeting of Friends held at Woonsocket, R.I. June 27, 1973

Minutes of last meeting are read and approved.

The Treasurer's report shows a balance of $123.25 on hand, in General Fund April 30, 1973. As the amount in the treasury is very low, the Treasurer is authorized to draw on invested funds for expenses in July and August if necessary, such withdrawal to be returned as funds are available.

A note from Ernest and Ruth Smith is read expressing appreciation for the gift in honor of their 50th wedding anniversary.

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Friends Committee on National Legislation sends notice of a Fall conference to be held at Geneva Point Center, N.H. September 28-30.

American Friends Service Committee sends notice of two summer institutes, one at Ocean Park Campus, Maine August 10-17, the other at Indian Brook Camp, Plymouth, Vt. Aug. 26-Sept. 2.

A letter from N. Dartmouth Meeting asks how many children and young people will attend Quarterly Meeting in July.

Queries 3 and 11 are read for meditation before appointing representatives to Quarterly Meeting at N. Dartmouth July 21, Bessie Erwin, Kenneth Strobel.

Ruth C Smith reports from Ministry and Counsel that two candidates have applied to serve as pastor after Douglas Anderson leaves. George Pottinger a graduate student at Boston University will give the sermon July 8 and Gregory Harrison of ~~Pleasant St.~~ Worcester Meeting, Worcester will do the same July 15.

As has been the custom, it is approved to have no meetings for worship Yearly Meeting Sunday, during the month of August and the first Sunday in September.

Next meeting for business will be at call of the Clerk

Bessie F. Erwin, Clerk

6-30-73

Copy – Certificate of Marriage

Whereas Richard Hubert Wiens of Providence County of Providence, and State of Rhode Island son of Mr. and Mrs Gerhard G. Wiens of Toronto, Ontario, Canada and Danielle Duanne de Nevers, Slatersville, Rhode Island daughter of Bertrand E. de Nevers and Anna, his wife of Slatersville, having declared their intentions of marraige with each other to Smithfield Monthly Meeting of the Religious Society of Friends held at Woonsocket, Rhode Island according to the good order used among them, their proposed marraige was allowed by that Meeting.

Now these are to certify that for the accomplishment of their marriage this 30th day of the 6th month, in the year nineteen hundred and seventy-three, they, the said Richard Wiens and Danielle de Nevers, appeared in a duly appointed meeting held at Woonsocket, Rhode Island under the oversight of Smithfield Monthly Meeting of the Religious Society of Friends and Richard Wiens, taking Danielle de Nevers by the hand, did on this solemn occasion declare that he took her to be his wife, promising, with divine assistance, to be unto her a loving and faithful husband as long as they both should live, and thereupon Danielle de Nevers did in like manner declare that she took him, Richard Wiens to be her husband, promising, with divine assistance, to be unto him a loving and faithful wife as long as they both should live.

And in further confirmation thereof, they, the said Richard Wiens and Danielle de Nevers (she, according to the custom of marraige, adopting the surname of her husband) did then and there to these presents set their hands

Richard Wiens
Danielle de Nevers Wiens

And, We, having been present at the solmnization of the said marraige, have as witnesses thereto, set our hands

Robert N Cool
Bessie F. Ewen

Kenneth M. Strobel
Eunice Strobel

7-22-73 At a called Meeting for business at Smithfield Monthly Meeting, Woonsocket, R. I. July 22, 1973;

Following meeting for worship it was approved to accept Gregory Harrison as Minister starting September 9.

At a covered-dish lunch following the service all those present wished Douglas and Joan Anderson and their sons Duane and Mark a safe trip back to Tacoma, Washington and the best of luck in their new venture. Gifts were presented to each of them as well as a large purse.

A gift and birthday cake were presented to Melita Fisher in celebration of her 90th birthday.

Bessie F. Ewen, Clerk

9-26-73 At Smithfield Monthly Meeting of Friends held at Woonsocket, R.I. Sept. 26, 1973

Minutes of last meeting are read and approved.

Treasurer's report shows a balance of $152.21 in General Fund Aug. 31, 1973. He reports that the Meeting has received $11061.83 from the estate of Mae Todd. The finance committee is directed to decide how to use this fund.

11 present

In preparation for Quarterly Meeting to be held at Providence Meeting October 20 Queries 5 and 6 are read and considered. As representatives we appoint Danielle Wiens, Bessie Ewen, Ruth C. and Lauriston Smith and Melita Fisher.

A note from Douglas Anderson expresses great appreciation for the gifts and purse presented his family at the lunch the last Sunday they were with us.

Melita Fisher also thanks the Meeting for card sent on her 90th birthday.

A check for $10 has been received from Mr + Mrs William McInnes

9-26-73 in memory of Elsie Tabor who died July 24. She was a regular attender when her health permitted and was very active in the Ladies Aid.

Friends United Meeting sends notice of a Seminar to be held in Washington, DC. Jan 28-30, 1974. Information on the topic will be sent later.

A letter explaining the Chain of Prayer from New-Year's Day to Easter is at hand, and asks if our Meeting can set a date to take part in the program. The sense of the Meeting is that individuals may set aside some special time for prayer, but the Meeting is not able to specify a definite day or days.

A pamphlet "Gospel According to Friends" is received, also a copy of "Friends and the Ecumenical Movement" by Ferner Nuhn from Friends General Conference.

The No. Smithfield Garden Club requests the use of the Meeting House for October 13 and November 10. It is approved.

Louise Corrigan reports that the Yearly Meeting budget is up from last year and it breaks down to $16 from each member to meet expenses. She also informs us that Andrew Granell appointed by Yearly Meeting is a resource person.

The organ fund is up to $125 at this time and it is felt the Committee can now look for a suitable one.

A letter appealing for increased giving is read and discussed. After some revision it is approved to be sent to members of the Meeting.

The question of a sign for the Meeting House is raised and the caretakers are authorized to meet with Gregory Harrison and discuss this along with work needed to repair the parsonage.

9-26-73 Gregory Harrison suggests sending a monthly "newsletter" which he will edit. This is approved.

Ruth C Smith reports that it is time to provide three tons of coal to one family. The Treasurer is directed to use the fund from Henrietta Pendleton for this.

No further business appearing, we conclude.
Bessie F. Erven, Clerk

10-31-73 At Smithfield Monthly Meeting of Friends held at Woonsocket, R.I. October 31, 1973.

Minutes of last meeting are read and approved.

Treasurer's report shows a balance of $370.23 in General Fund September 30, 1973.

Representatives to Quarterly Meeting report that all but one representative attended. Elmer Brown told of his trip around the world when he attended Friends World Committee meeting in Australia in August, and showed slides of various places he visited.

9 present

An appeal from Minute 74 committee to help support the scholarship fund is read. We approve of sending $25 to this fund.

A copy of California Yearly Meeting minute on unity among Friends is received from New England Yearly Meeting Ministry and Counsel for our consideration and comment. This is referred to Ministry and Counsel.

A message from Langley Hill Friends Meeting, Langley, Virginia on every citizens "duty to uphold and obey all legal enactments, unless they directly violate his deep conviction of the dictates of God." This will be read in morning Meeting.

An appeal from Prisoner Visitation committee for financial support is read. It is approved to send $15 to help support their efforts.

10-31-73 A letter from Worcester Friends Meeting heartily recommends Gregory Harrison as a sojourning member of Smithfield Meeting while he is in our area. We approve and accept him with pleasure.

Louise Corrigan reports for the music committee that she and Gregory Harrison have located and bought a reconditioned Conn organ from the Place Music Co in Providence. The fund raised for an organ covered the cost and there is a balance left of a little under $200. It was was approved that this balance be kept for any necessary repairs which may occur. Members present extended appreciation for the efforts of the committee.

The finance committee reports that letters urging members to consider larger contributions for expenses of the Meeting have been sent out.

It is recommended that a new refrigerator and furnace be installed in the parsonage to be financed from the money received from the estate of Mae Todd. It is ~~all~~ also recommended that $6,000 from that estate be deposited in a high interest account. It is approved.

Gregory Harrison expresses appreciation for the reception held for him Sunday evening October 26.

He informs us that Andrew Granell will visit the Meeting Nov. 25 to speak and explain his new duties in Yearly Meeting.

We are informed that there are 200 to 300,000 prisoners still being held in South Vietnam, and many are badly mistreated. Ann deNevers is requested to write to our Congressmen on behalf of the Meeting

Maria (Lafayette) Jewell

On September 17, "Mae" Jewell died after a lingering illness. She had been an attender at morning worship for several years and was keenly interested in everyone in the Meeting. She made contributions to the Meeting in memory of her grand-mother a former member of the Meeting.

EDNA TRASK

Edna Trask was a faithful member of the Meeting and an active member of the Ladies Aid until her health forced her to remain at home. After a long illness, she died October 2, 1973 in the Ida Chaffee nursing home. Her friends will remember her cheerfulness and patience.

No further business appearing, we conclude.
Bessie F. Ewen, Clerk

11-28-73 At Smithfield Monthly Meeting of Friends held at Woonsocket, R.I. Nov. 28, 1973

Minutes of the last meeting are read and approved.

The Treasurers report shows a balance of $329.44 in General Fund, October 31, 1973

A notice of AFSC retreat in North Andover December 7-9 is read. We are also urged to write letters to our congressmen urging support for Vietnamese prisoners

8 present

Due to the shortage of fuel and other energy it is suggested that meetings for worship be held downstairs through January and February, and that the Meeting House be used only on Sundays. It is also suggested that Monthly Meeting be held after morning meeting the last Sunday of the month followed by a covered dish lunch. This is approved.

Ministry and Counsel reports that copies of the California Yearly Meeting on unity among Friends are to be distributed to members and attenders with a booklet The Gospel According to Friends for consideration before sending an opinion on unity to Yearly Meeting Ministry and Counsel.

The question of requesting Quarterly Meeting to have Gregory Harrison recorded as minister is discussed. It is approved that Ministry and Counsel go through the proper procedure.

It is suggested that a letter be sent to

11-28-73 George Jones, Jr. to inquire about his feelings on continuing as recorded minister.

The new furnace and refrigerator have been installed in the parsonage, and Gregory Harrison expresses appreciation for them.

The bulkhead in the parsonage still has not been repaired and now cannot be made secure. Clerk is requested to contact chairman of caretakers and say that Monthly Meeting considers it urgent that this be fixed as soon as possible at any expense.

Our business being accomplished, we conclude
Bessie F. Ewen, Clerk

12-30-73 Due to the energy crisis, Monthly Meeting is held after morning worship instead of the last Wednesday of the month.

Minutes of last meeting are read and approved.

Treasurer's report shows a balance of $272.91 in General Fund November 30, 1973.

13 present Friends General Conference sends copies of recent advertisement in Friends Journal and reminds us of mortgage pool notes in amount of $500 as a source of investment.

Quaker House in Washington, D.C. sends a summary of community release program they enclose a questionaire to learn of any program in this area. Peace and Social concerns committee is requested to fill out this questionaire.

Friends World committee sends a message from triennial sessions held in Sydney, Australia Aug. 18-25.

Pendle Hill, Wallingford, Pa. sends an appeal for contributions to their scholarship fund. The feeling

12-30-73 of the Meeting is that we should support the work of Minute 60, committee here in New England. We approve of sending $50 to this committee.

Christian Education committee sends notice of an Educational Fair to be held January 26 at Providence Meeting to share ideas. They wish to have two representatives from each Meeting. We appoint Martha Smith and Eunice Strobel with Sunday School teachers

The nominating committee committee present the following slate of officers. It is approved.

OFFICERS & COMMITTEES 1974

CLERK -	BESSIE EWEN
ASST. CLERK -	EUNICE STROBEL
TREASURER -	KENNETH STROBEL
ASST. TREASURER -	LOUISE CORRIGAN

ELDERS

1974	1975	1976
MARJORIE DOYLE	EUNICE STROBEL	MARTHA SMITH
LAURISTON SMITH	MELITA FISHER	ROBERT COOL
LAURA FOLLETT	RUTH C. SMITH	MARION ROSS

CARETAKERS - LAURISTON SMITH, LESLIE FOLLETT, KENNETH SMITH, EDM ND HEBERT, RUTH C. SMITH

CEMETERIES - LESLIE FOLLETT, LAURISTON SMITH, LESTER TABER

CHRISTIAN EDUCATION - MARTHA SMITH, EUNICE STROBEL, MARJORIE DOYLE, LEONA HEBERT, NELLIE FISHER, DANIELLE WIENS

FINANCE & STEWARDSHIP - LOUISE CORRIGAN, WILMA SMITH, LESTER TABER, LOUISE TABER, KENNETH STROBEL EX OFFICIO

FLOWER - ADELINE RANDALL, MARION ROSS, DOROTHY MOWRY, WILMA SMITH

MISSIONARY - BESSIE EWEN, LAURA FOLLETT

MUSIC - RUTH L. SMITH, MELITA FISHER, LEONA HEBERT

NOMINATING - MARJORIE DOYLE, ANN DENEVERS, NELLIE FISHER, DORIS MOWRY, DANIELLE WIENS

RELIEF - RUTH C. SMITH, LAURA FOLLETT

SUNSHINE - MARION ROSS, LAURA FOLLETT

USHERS - LAURISTON SMITH, KENNETH M. STROBEL, KENNETH STROBEL

It is suggested that we have some sort of memorial to Mae Todd. The sense of the Meeting is that

12-30-73 this could be made in a newsletter, that words rather some object is more appriate to the way of Friends.

The treasurer requests permission to draw an additional $55 from the Mae Todd fund for the cost of new pipes required when the new furnace was installed in the parsonage.

The Finance committee requests estimates of amounts needed by committees for the 1974 budget.

Our business accomplished, we conclude.
Bessie F. Ewen, Clerk.

1-27-74 At Smithfield Monthly Meeting of Friends held after Meeting for Worship January 27, 1974.

The Treasurer's report shows a balance of $325.26 in General Fund December 31, 1974.

Newsletters from FCNL and AFSC are at hand, and will be placed on bulletin board.

19 present

It is time for the annual statistical report to be sent to Quarterly Meeting. Clerk and Asst. Clerk are appointed to prepare this report.

The following annual reports are read and approved.

FINANCE COMMITTE FOR 1973

This has been an active year for the members of the Finance Committee. Many meetings were held throughout the year.

The first meeting was for compiling the financial needs of the various committees and a final budget set.

A meeting to formulate a letter to be sent to all members urging more regular contributions; this letter to be sent in the Fall.

A meeting to discuss finances pertaining to

1-27-74 the hiring of Gregory Harrison with the following approved: Salary $2000.00, Blue Cross $150.00, Heat $450, Electricity $120, Telephone $84, ministerial supply plus travel allowance for visitation $100. Total $2904.00.

Two meetings to discuss the Mae Todd legacy were held with the following decision brought before Monthly Meeting and approved: $6,000 to be placed in deposit acct. - 5 yr. plan $5,000 remain in savings account, purchase a refrigerator and fix bulkhead and steps of parsonage.

Louise Corrigan, Chairman

MINISTRY AND COUNSEL

There were six Ministry and Counsel meetings held during 1973.

Various workshops under the leadership of Yearly Meeting Ministry and Counsel were brought to our attention. One was attended in Dover, N.H. by two from our local Committee on Ministry and Counsel. It concerned a discussion on how to make Ministry and Counsel more responsive to the spiritual needs of Friends and attenders in the local Meetings.

It was recommended that we purchase 15 Faith and Practice books to instruct members and future members on the ideals and responsibilities of Quakers. This was done.

The State of the Society report for 1972 was written by the committee and approved by Monthly Meeting. A copy was sent to Quarterly and Yearly Meetings.

A book shelf was set up for members and attenders to avail themselves of good books.

As Douglas Anderson left us in July, we searched for a minister to replace him. We were fortunate to secure the services of Gregory Harrison.

A suggestion was made that we change the time and day of our Monthly Meeting for business. It will be held on the last Sunday of each month after the worship service. A covered-dish luncheon will follow each meeting.

Respectfully submitted,
Ruth E. Smith
Clerk of Ministry and Counsel

1-27-74

PEACE AND SOCIAL CONCERNS

The committee wrote 9 letters of concern to Congressmen in 1973. These letters were sent (1) At the request of the Friends Peace Committee, Philadelphia Yearly Meeting regarding opposition to the Selective Service System. A letter to Senator Pastore was also mailed June 3, 1973 and signed by members of the Meeting asking him as chairman of the Senate Appropriation Committee to oppose the spending of more than 70 million Dollars for the Selective Service System. 2) The American Friends Service Committee of Rhode Island requested our help in stating a deep concern for the over 200,000 mal-treated and tortured political prisoners in South Vietnam. Letters were sent to Congressmen requesting that United States financial aid for such purposes be terminated. In addition to a formal letter from the Peace and Social Concerns Committee, letters of concern were solicited among members and attenders who wrote to Congressmen as individuals.

The Friends Counseling Service was active through August 15, 1973 (evenings 3 hrs. a week, afternoon 1 hr.) with 4 families. (One terminated in January). At the close of 1973, the Service is temporarily inactive. North Smithfield has become a part of the Northern Rhode Island Mental Health Service, thus the need in this area is less critical, but referrals will be accepted should the need arise. Plans for the coming year are not complete.

Hrs: 168 evenings
40 afternoons
208 professional hours

Respectfully submitted,
Ann de Nevers, Chairman.

CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

Our principal function has been trying to keep the Sunday School Department interesting for the children. We had four teachers and an average attendance of fourteen pupils. We had a pre-school class, primary intermediate and Junior High classes. In addition to our regular Sunday sessions, we had four parties — Valentine, Halloween, Christmas and the Annual outing in June at Pulaski Park.

The Sunday School sponsored the collection

1-27-74 of canned goods and vegetables for a thanksgiving basket, and members of the Meeting were invited to donate to this. A turkey was purchased to complete the dinner and it was given to a very appreciative needy family.

Collections from the Birthday Bank were sent to the Piney Woods School in Tennessee and the children collected over $15 for UNICEF at Halloween.

At Christmastime the Sunday School purchased three Christmas trees and trimmed them, one with mittens for the AFSC clothing project. We had a Christmas program of recitations, a playlet and songs.

At the conclusion of classes before summer vacation, promotional and attendance certificates were given and Bibles were also given to four of the oldest pupils.

Our two pastors, Douglas Anderson and Gregory Harrison have conducted adult Bible study groups.

Home devotional booklets were distributed to shut-ins and other interested members of the Meeting.

Our committee works well together and all are cooperative and helpful when the need arises.

Respectfully submitted,
Martha M. Smith

MUSIC COMMITTEE

The Music Committee's main purpose this past year was to try to raise funds to purchase an organ. Meetings were held to compose letters announcing the organ fund-raising project, and to remind members that we were still in need of funds.

On October 22, 1973 a used Conn organ was purchased for $595 and delivered on October 24, 1973. The Committee decided that the remaining $192 from the fund be kept in the bank for the use of the Music Committee for any repairs needed in the future.

Louise Corrigan, Chairman

MISSIONARY

Work for Wider Ministries was carried on by the Meeting and the Ladies Aid. Contributions were made to Prisoner Visitation Committee, Minute 60

1-27-74 Minute 74, Associated Executive Committee on Indian Affairs, United Society of Friends Women, CARE, and Heart Fund, Cancer Fund, United Fund, Woonsocket Milk Fund, March of Dimes, Cerebral Palsy Fund, and clothing was sent to AFSC.

Respectfully submitted,
Bessie F. Ewen, Chairman

The various Committees were commended for their ~~faithful~~ faithful work and excellent reports.

Eunice Strobel reports that the Book Fair scheduled for January 26 in Providence has been postponed to April.

No further business appearing, we conclude,
Bessie F. Ewen, Clerk

STATISTICS FOR Smithfield Monthly MEETING FOR 1973

1. Number of Members last year (12/31/1972),	63	
2. Additions due to Omissions in last year's Report,	0	
3. Additions by Birth or Request of Parents,	0	
4. Additions by Request, including from another Denomination,	2	
5. Additions by Certificate from another Friends Meeting,	0	
6. Total Additions,	2	
7. Loss due to Removal of Persons included by Error in last year's Report,	0	
8. Loss by Death (list name and date on back of form),	2	
9. Loss by Discontinuance, Resignation, or Disownment,	0	
10. Loss by Transfer to another Friends Meeting,	0	
11. Loss by Letter to another Denomination,	0	
12. Total Loss,	2	
13. Number of Members this Year (12/31/1973),	63	
14. Net Gain,	0	
15. Net Loss,	0	
16. Number of Males,	24	
17. Number of Females,	39	
18. Number under 25 years of age,	6	
19. Number over 65 years of age,	24	
20. Number of Junior Members,	3	
21. Number of Junior Members Transferred to Active Membership,	0	
22. Number of Resident Members,[1]	50	
23. Number of Non-Resident Members,	13	
24. Average Attendance at Sunday Worship (estimate),[2]	20	
25. Number of Sojourning & Affiliated Members,	1	
26. Number Participating in Sunday Classes or Discussions,[3]	20	
27. Number of Meetings held Regularly on Weekdays,[4]	0	
28. Number of Members attending Friends' Schools and Colleges,	1	*

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Bessie F. Ewen, Chairman

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No further business appearing, we conclude,

Bessie F. Ewen, Clerk

A request from A F S C for funds to start program on land trust in R. I. is received. It is approved that \$10 be given by the Meeting and individuals may add to it if they wish to do so.

At Smithfield Monthly Meeting of Friends held at Woonsocket, February 24, 1974.

Minutes of last meeting are read and approved.

Treasurer's report shows a balance of \$168.47 in General Fund January 31, 1974.

Clerk reports that a letter of appreciation was sent to Walter Keene for plowing out the Meeting House through the winter.

The statistical report is read and discussed. It is recommended that two members who are still listed a juniors be contacted and notified that our Faith and Practice states that by the age of eighteen they are expected to become active members. Clerk is authorized to do this. The report will be sent to Quarterly and Yearly Meetings.

The State of Society report is presented by Ministry and Counsel and approved. This report will

2-24-74

STATE OF THE SOCIETY REPORT - 1973

The year 1973 found us again seeking a new pastor for our programmed meeting. Our former minister, Douglas Anderson, left for the west coast in July, after serving us well for two years. We are fortunate to have Gregory Harrison as our spiritual leader, and under this leadership our worship service is more in keeping with the way of Friends. There is a longer silent period, thus affording members and attenders more time for reflection and prayer.

Dedicated teachers are continuing to instruct our young in Christian ideals at First Day school. Pupils also attend morning worship afterwards for part of the service.

Some of the members of our meeting are active on Yearly Meeting Committees.

The Monthly Meeting Peace and Social concerns Committee has presented evidence of abuse on ~~some~~ social issues, and some members of the church have written to their congressmen requesting redress.

We seem to operate on an even keel, but fail to grow much in numbers. However, the group who attend the worship service are deeply desirous of searching for Divine guidance in their everyday lives.

2-24-74 also be forwarded to Quarterly Meeting and the Yearly Meeting Ministry and Counsel committee. It will be included in annual bulletin.

Notice of procedural changes at Yearly Meeting is read, and will be placed on bulletin board. Memorials forwarded by Quarterly Meetings will be considered late in May by the Permanent Board to determine if some should go to Yearly Meeting. If so, they will be printed in preliminary documents sent to all who register for Yearly Meeting. A special memorial service will be held at Yearly Meeting. Representatives will be asked to consider report of nominating committee, the proposed budget, and the proposed epistle before they go to the floor of Yearly Meeting for action.

Peace and Social concerns committee tells of the response of our Congressmen to the letter sent on our stand on political prisoners. All were in agreement with our stand, and imply that they were to pursue the matter further as they are dissatisfied with the response from Vietnam, and with their violation of the peace pact.

We are informed that the people who have headed up the Good Friday peace watch in Boston are no longer able to do this, and look for volunteers to carry on the work. No one here feels able to do this, and it is approved that a letter be sent expressing our sympathy.

It has been suggested that the Meeting form a special program with schools on some subject that is of interest to the students. Some subjects suggested are Federal justice, prison problems, political prisoners & amnesty. This would be with High School students. Funds are needed to start the program, and it is approved that we contribute $15 toward this. It is suggested that late April is a good time to get under way with this project. We approve.

It is approved that meeting for worship be held downstairs for the next two weeks, and then move upstairs.

2-24-74 Gregory Harrison reminds us that repairs are needed at the parsonage — doors are off the garage, it needs paint on the outside and something should be done to the kitchen.

The caretakers report that A. Morin & Sons will inspect blinds on the Meeting House, which are peeling badly, for a possible adjustment and repainting. An estimate on a new sign on the Meeting House is to be sought.

As many resident members have not been attending Meeting the question is raised of having a special Family Sunday to get these people to attend and try to get them in the habit of attending. This is approved and the following volunteer to contact members — Martha Smith, Ann deRevers, Leona Hebert and Robert Cool. Clerk will furnish a list of names.

A suggestion is made that some change be made in arrangement of the pews. After a discussion, it is the sense of the Meeting that we should all move toward the front and be closer together.

It is approved that Monthly Meeting continue to be held the last Sunday of the month followed by a covered-dish lunch as attendance is good and the fellowship enjoyed at the lunch is very rewarding.

No further business appearing, we conclude.
Bessie F. Ewen, Clerk

3-31-74 At Smithfield Monthly Meeting of Friends held after morning worship March 31, 1974.

Minutes of last meeting are read and approved.

Treasurer's report shows a balance of $201.24 in General Fund February 28, 1974.

Sunshine committee reports one Get-well card sent this month.

3-31-74

Queries 1 and 9 are read and considered. The following are appointed as representatives to Quarterly Meeting in Worcester at Pleasant St. April 20 — Bessie Ewen, Eunice Strobel and Robert Cool.

The caretakers report that they have obtained estimates for painting the parsonage and the meeting-house blinds which are peeling. Vario Bros $695.00, A. Morin & Sons $731.00 and Lawrence Bros $995.00. Caretakers are authorized to check with Vario Bros. to find out if they include all items listed by Morin & Sons. They are to make the decision on who is to do the work.

The estimate for garage doors at the parsonage and repairs to kitchen window in the Meeting-house is $100. Cost of a new sign on the Meeting-house is $70. These are both approved.

12 present

The Treasurer is authorized to pay insurance on the Meeting-house and parsonage.

The music committee suggests that we have special music for Easter and recommends , soloist. We approve.

Kenneth and Wilma Smith offer to set in some shrubs after the painting is finished. We accept their kind offer with gratitude. It is suggested that the Meeting have some kind of shrub set in memory of Lloyd Arnold.

The North Smithfield Heritage Association asks if the Meeting would like help in cleaning up the cemetery next to the Meeting House. It is possible to have help from the National Guard. Cemetery committee is requested to oversee this work.

Notice is received of Christian Education Fair to be held at Moses Brown School April 6.

A notice of the Peace Witness to be held in Boston April 12 is at hand with the program for the day.

3-31-74 A.F.S.C. in Providence sends notice of a conference on China April 27 at Providence Meeting House. they include a list of office equipment needed, some things which are desirable, and ways in which individuals can help.

Notice is received that Russell and Irene Johnson who have been Touring South and Southeat Asia will be in Rhode Island area April 7-13 and available to give talks.

Announcement of national conference of United Society of Friends Women and Quaker Men at Guilford College, Greensboro, N.C. June 14-18 is at hand.

Our business being accomplished, we conclude
Bessie F. Ewen, Clerk

4-28-74 At Smithfield Monthly Meeting of Friends held at the close of worship April 28, 1974.

Minutes of last meeting are read and approved.

Treasurer's report shows a balance of $272.43 in General Fund March 31, 1974.

7 present

Representatives to Quarterly Meeting report that all attended and enjoyed a talk by Margaret Angell about her work with elderly people in Worcester, and the various ways volunteers help to make life a bit cheerier for those who cannot get out by themselves.

R. P. Smith & Son informs us that unless property is insured up to 80% of assessed value there is a penalty in case of partial damage by fire. the feeling of the Meeting is that due to the high premium necessary, and to available funds, we should continue with the present coverage with caretakers to inquire if parsonage & contents of Meeting house are covered?

A copy of "What Is a Land Trust?" and the annual report of A.F.S.C. are at hand and will be posted.

4-28-74 A letter from Cambridge Meeting asks financial aid for Martin Luther King, Jr. summer camp. We do not feel free to contribute.

A letter from Minute 60 committee states a need for more funds to carry on their work. It is approved to send $25.

Ann deNevers informs us that Woonsocket High School will have a Speaker from AFSC Tuesday morning, April 30 at 10.15 to talk on amnesty. Anyone wishing to attend may call her.

She reports that she is counselling again, working with two families.

Education committee reports that five people attended the Book Fair at Moses Brown School April 6. Registration fees were $10 and material was bought costing $3.51. It is approved that the Meeting pay for this.

Gregory Harrison gives his resignation as minister effective August 31, 1974 for personal reasons. this is accepted with deep regret as he has given the Meeting excellent sermons and a feeling of security being in the parsonage.

The committee working on Back to Church Sunday reports that all resident members and attenders have been urged to attend worship service May 5.

It is suggested that the Meeting contribute $50 to Yearly Meeting equalization fund. This is approved.

Caretakers report that A. Morin & Son have been given the contract to paint the parsonage, the Meeting House blinds and one spot on Mtg. House. The new sign will be installed after painting is finished.

Our business being accomplished, we conclude

Bessie F. Ewen, Clerk

5-26-74 At Smithfield Monthly Meeting of Friends held at the close of meeting for worship May 26, 1974.

Minutes of last meeting are read and approved with one addition on the insurance coverage.

Treasurer's report shows a balance of $842.90 in General Fund April 30, 1974.

This is the meeting at which we appoint representatives to Yearly Meeting and one member each to the Finance, Nominating and Ministry and Counsel committees.

Representatives - Bessie Ewen and Kenneth M. Strobel
Finance Committee - Louise Corrigan
Nominating " - Martha Smith
Ministry and Counsel - Laura Follett

A letter from Yearly Meeting Finance Committee concerning contributions to the budget before the end of May is read. The Treasurer informs us that our contributions are up to date.

A letter from the Prisoner Visitation and Support Committee who help military ol service objectors asks for further financial aid. The feeling is that this be deferred until Fall as the Meeting has heavy expenses at the present time.

Pendle Hill in Wallingford, Pa. and Friends World Committee also request funds. We are informed that Pendle Hill probably has plenty of support. And as the treasury is very low we approve of deferring any contributions until Fall.

F C N L sends a leaflet "Friends in Washington" and appeals for new contributors towards expenses of carrying on their work. This also is deferred to Fall.

Mildred Morse sends greetings & asks to be remembered to Friends in the Meeting.

A letter of thanks for our contribution to the Minute 20 Committee is read.

5-26-74 The caretakers report that the parsonage roof needs repairs. They are requested to get bids for this work. The garage doors have been repaired at a cost of $21. The new sign on the Meeting House is finished - $70. Treasurer is authorized to use invested funds to pay these bills.

Gregory Harrison informs us that he has been told that the Blackstone Meeting-house is reported to be in poor repair. Clerk is requested to look up status of responsibility for the property.

No further business appearing, we conclude.
Bessie F. Ewen, Clerk

6-2-74 At a called Meeting on June 2, 1974 the Caretakers presented two bids for roof on parsonage and one side of the garage. E. L. Robert & Sons - $1,000
J. & P. Construction Co - $700
It is approved to give the job to J. & P. Construction Co. and Treasurer is authorized to call on invested funds to pay the cost.

It is approved that meeting for worship be held at 10 o'clock starting June 16 through July 21.
~~and~~

Clerk is to notify Yearly Meeting that business meetings will be held after worship service the last Sunday of each month.
Bessie F. Ewen, Clerk

6-30-74 At Smithfield Monthly Meeting of Friends held after Meeting for Worship June 30, 1974.

Minutes of last meeting are read and approved.

Treasurer's report shows a balance of $731.50 in General Fund May 31, 1974.

Queries 2 and 8 are read and considered in preparation for Quarterly Meeting to be held in Westerly, July 20. Bessie Ewen, Lauriston and Ruth Smith are appointed

6-30-74 as representatives.

The Golden Quill Press, Francestown, N.H. sends notice of a book of poems by E. Merrill Root, "Children of the Morning" which is available for $4.00 a copy. We approve of the Meeting purchasing a copy.

For several years there has been no worship service on Yearly Meeting Sunday (July 28 this year) and none through August and the first Sunday in September. We approve of this schedule again.

Caretakers' report that the parsonage and garage roofs have been finished at a cost of $550 and the bill has been paid. The side door of the garage has been fixed by Leslie Follett.

Paul Grasseck who will teach at Moses Brown School in September will give the sermon on July 14. He is a possible candidate for pastor.

Concerning a light over the sign on the Meeting House, it is felt that it is better not to have one, as it might encourage vandalism. Andrew Corrigan has volunteered to pull back the wires and cover the hole.

As Gregory Harrison is leaving at the end of August a suggestion is made that a farewell party and gift be given after worship July 21 at the Strobel home, since that is our last service until September. Ruth C. Smith and Laura Follett volunteer to make arrangements.

Next meeting for business is left at the call of the Clerk.

A discussion with Richard Floyd who gave us a sermon today followed business. He would like to serve as pastor starting in September. Final decision will be made after we hear Paul Grasseck

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July 29, 1974

Mr. Kenneth Strobel, Treasurer
Overseers of the Smithfield Monthly
Meeting of Friends
Maple Road
Glendale, R. I. 02825

Dear Mr. Strobel: Re: Estate of Maria R. Jewell

As executor under the will of Maria R. Jewell, I would like to state that her bequest to Smithfield Monthly Meeting of Friends was in memory of her maternal grandmother, and I quote from Paragraph 6, of her will as follows:

"I devise and bequeath one (1) share to Overseers of the Smithfield Monthly Meeting of Friends, a Rhode Island Corporation, in memory of my maternal grandmother, Mary Ann Leavitt Favreau."

Very truly yours,

Carl W. Christiansen

Carl W. Christiansen
Estate of Maria R. Jewell
77 Federal Street
Woonsocket, R. I. 02895

CWC:JW

on July 14.

Bessie F. Ewen Clerk

After worship on July 14, members were unanimous in asking Richard Floyd to serve as pastor

7-21-74 About twenty members and friends joined together for a cook-out & farewell to Gregory Harrison at Strobel's July 21. Games were played, and after lunch a copy of Bartlett's Favorite Quotations was presented to Greg. In honor of her 91st birthday a cake was given to Melita Fisher which she shared with everyone.

Bessie F. Ewen, Clerk

29-74 At Smithfield Monthly Meeting of Friends held at Woonsocket, R.I. Sept. 29, 1974.

Minutes of last meeting are read and approved.

Treasurer's report shows a balance of $[illegible]23 in General Fund Aug. 31, 1974. A concern is expressed about financial support during August when no worship service is held as envelopes are not always brought up to date when meetings for worship resume in September. Perhaps a gentle reminder by word of mouth that expenses continue every month of the year might help.

The Treasurer informs us that a bequest of $12,500 from the estate of Maria Jewell in memory of her grandmother Mary Farrow was received in July. It is now in the savings account and will be placed in a long term account at 7½% at the end of September.

Queries 3 and 10 are read and considered, and the following are appointed as representatives to Quarterly Meeting in Providence October 19, Martha Smith, Laura Follett and others who may attend.

The letter from Prisoner Visitation & Support committee held from the May meeting is brought to our attention. It is approved that we contribute $10 for their support.

It is approved that the Meeting contribute $25 to the AFSC committee office in Providence. A

9-11-74 suggestion is made that the Finance Committee consider support of this office on a basis of $10 a month in the budget for 1975. This is approved.

The Minute [illegible] committee requests funds to help support needy students in Friends schools in New England. It is felt that this should be left to individuals.

The Committee on Responsibility for Victims of Prejudice and Poverty also need more contributions as they receive many more requests for help than the funds can cover.

Minneapolis Friends Meeting sends a minute on the B1 bomber urging us to help oppose this new weapon of destruction.

Philadelphia Yearly Meeting sends a concern that we as Quakers need to examine traditional roles of women and men within our Meetings.

Nebraska Yearly Meeting asks for support of a Friend-in-Washington for native Americans on FCNL.

Edwin Hubert notifies us that he will serve as janitor until the end of the year.

Gregory Harrison wants to rent the parsonage for the month of October, offering $150 subject to approval of the Meeting. After a long discussion it was approved to accept this amount with three members ~~abstaining~~ disapproving.

Ministry and Counsel recommends that David and Edna Nelson be re-instated as members of Smithfield Meeting. It is approved.

The relief committee reports that financial help on rent for a needy family is at $150 this year.

9-24-74 Bids have been received for sealing the driveway by the caretakers. R.A. Bergesson $263, Woonsocket Improvement Co. $463.75. It is felt both bids are high, and after a discussion the janitor, Ed Hebert, and others from the Meeting agree to ~~[illegible]~~ do the work themselves.

Richard Floyd raises the question of travel expenses. He is requested to keep a record of mileage for a month to determine a fair amount.

Our business being accomplished, we adjourn.
[illegible] S. Evans, Clerk

10-27-74 At Smithfield Monthly Meeting of Friends held at Woonsocket October 27, 1974.

Minutes of last meeting are read and approved with two changes which have been inserted.

Treasurer's report shows a balance of $1057.18 in General Fund Sept. 30, 1974.

16 present

Representatives report that four Friends attended Quarterly Meeting. Carol Bragg told about the tiger cage vigil in Washington, D.C. last summer with slides and comments by Jerry Elmer. Also present was a worker for FCNL who told of some of the work being done and that they have had to cut the staff due to lack of funds.

Caretakers report that the driveway has been sealed at a cost of $45.32. Due to a shortage of sealer one small place is unfinished. Foster Taber volunteers to finish the job with some sealer he has, which is much appreciated. Clerk is directed to write letters of appreciation to two friends of Edwin Hebert who helped on the driveway. Friends are asked to note new floor covering in the kitchen and downstairs hall which the Trustees had installed.

Richard Floyd reports that he travelled 374 miles the four Sundays in October, averaging 94 miles a week. In business the average allowance at present is about $.14 a mile. This is referred to the Finance Committee for a

10-27-74 recommendations

The North Smithfield Garden Club requests the use of the Meeting House on November 9, January 11 and February 8. The Meeting approves of granting this request.

New York Yearly Meeting sends a notice of upcoming programs.

Minute 74 Committee appeals once more for funds.

AFSC in Providence offers Christmas cards and note paper.

FCNL sends notice that they are badly in need of funds. They have had to let one full-time worker go.

After a discussion it is approved that the Meeting donate $25 to the fund for a Friend-in-Washington to work in FCNL for Indians (Native Americans). The question is raised "Should an amount be set aside each year?" One New York Meeting has budgeted $5 a month.

Emery Harrison has moved his furniture from the parsonage. Trustees are requested to check on the property.

The Clerk reports that Robert Ochs will serve as janitor starting the first of January.

No further business appearing, we conclude.
Bessie F. Ewen, Clerk

11-24-74 At Smithfield Monthly Meeting of Friends held at Woonsocket, R.I. November 24, 1974

Minutes of last meeting are read and approved.

Treasurer's report shows a balance of $1294.48 in General Fund October 31, 1974

Approved

The Finance Committee presents the following recommendations:

1— Any financial commitments in behalf of the Meeting over and above the ordinary expenses must be brought to the Finance Committee to determine if money is available.

11-24-74 2- Thirty Dollars per month retroactive to September, 1974 be paid for travel allowance to Richard Floyd.

3- While discussing general finances of the Meeting we recommend $150.00 per month for the rental of the parsonage.

All committee chairmen are asked to present a budget for 1975 to the Finance Committee before Dec. 1st.

The Meeting has spent $690.00 for outreach from January first to November first, $333.00 within the Meeting. These approved.

The Yearly Meeting Finance Committee sends a letter about the budget and thanks Meetings for regular contributions.

AFSC sends information on what is happening in Indo-China with an appeal for funds. A suggestion is made that a recommendation be sent that they not open offices in so many cities thus cutting office expense and other mailings. This will be considered at a later date.

Pendle Hill, Pa. offers a list of publications and Ervine Strobel offers to share with members of the Meeting the ones in her family as they have most of them.

Newsletters from FCNL, Pendle Hill and AFSC are at hand and will be posted.

Powell House in N.Y. Yearly Meeting is looking for a couple to staff the center as cooks and maintenance men.

The Sunday School will present a Christmas program December 22 at 3 P.M.

Ed and Leona Hebert suggest that usable toys or contributions for toys be made to go to a needy family. They are appointed to take charge of this.

It is recommended and approved that Christmas lights at the Meeting House be simply candles in the windows.

Caretakers are requested to purchase a timer for a light in the parsonage in the evenings.

No further business appearing, we adjourn.

Bessie F. Owen, Clerk

12-29-74 At Smithfield Monthly Meeting of Friends held at Woonsocket, R.I. December 29, 1974

Minutes of last meeting are read and approved.

Treasurer's report shows a balance of $1341.13 in General Fund, Nov 30, 1974.

McCarthy Dry Goods Co. sends a check for $1.00 which represents a 10% Thanksgiving contribution on purchases made for benefit of Smithfield Meeting.

AFSC in Providence requests funds to help carry on peace education in Rhode Island. The Treasurer reports he has received no response for the last check sent to them and the check has not been cancelled. It is approved that we send nothing until an acknowledgment is received.

Meeting School in Rindge, N.H. sends a review of the work there and appeals for funds. The members of this meeting feel that we should not contribute at this time.

Friends World Committee for Consultation sends a newsletter.

Pendle Hill sends annual report and program for winter term extension courses.

AFSC sends notice of an "assembly to save peace agreement" to be held in Washington, D.C. Jan. 25-27.

The finance committee presents the following budget for 1975:

Pastor's Salary	$2400.00	Christian Education	$100.00
" Travel	360.00	Peace & Social Concerns	25.00
Janitor's Salary	360.00	Equalization Fund	50.00
Relief Fund	400.00	Charitable Committee	700.00
Heat	700.00	Music Committee	50.00
Water	70.00	Miscellaneous	100.00
Electricity	150.00	United Budget	360.00
Insurance	375.00		4815.00
			$6200.00

This is approved.

12-29-74 The Finance Committee presents the following recommendations:

1. Finance Committee does not recommend a monthly stipend for support of a Friend-in-Washington for native Americans (Indian).

2. We recommend that the Finance Committee and the Caretakers meet to discuss the possibility of renovating the kitchen in the parsonage.

3. Ask Kenneth Strobel, treasurer, to add to his report the amount in regular account at Woonsocket Institution for Savings periodically.

Tomas Corrigan, Chr.

This is approved.

The following annual reports are received:

CARETAKERS - During 1974 many repairs were made to the Meeting House and parsonage, among which were -

1- Shutters on Meeting House scraped and painted
2- A new colonial sign installed on the outside of Meeting House
3- Driveway sealed, the work being done by the men of the Meeting and volunteers.
4- Parsonage was re-roofed. Exterior of the parsonage and the garage were painted. A new bulkhead door on parsonage was made
5- The garage door was replaced with a new one, and Leslie Follett repaired the side door of the garage.
6- A timer was installed in the parsonage to automatically turn the light on and off.
7- An attempt was made to replace the small window in the kitchen and recreation rooms of the Meeting House, but the carpenter reported he was unable to get that size window.

Mention should be made that the Ladies Aid had kitchen linoleum and downstairs hallway carpeting installed in the Meeting House.

Lauriston Smith, Chr.

CHRISTIAN EDUCATION - The principle concern of the Christian Education Committee this year centered around children. Until Sunday School disbanded for the summer, we were carrying on the traditional classes — pre-school, grades 1-3, 4-6 and Junior High. In the Fall the committee decided to change to a more free class-room approach for

12-29-74 all pupils of school age, and a pre-school class. There were 2 reasons for this - first because of the small number of pupils, and second because we felt a new approach would be more interesting. We chose the theme "Being Friends" and hoped to have teachers enough for several to take a month and carry out their own interests or talents with this theme in mind. This has not worked as well as we hoped so far, but we will continue, hoping more people will volunteer to help with this project.

The Sunday School had their annual picnic at Pulaski Park again in June and everyone had a good time.

The Sunday School children came into Meeting for the first fifteen minutes of the service and at the end of the year in June had a short program. Bibles were "given" to Juniors at this time.

We tried a Vacation Bible School for one week in July under the direction of Gregory Harrison. This was our first endeavor with a Vacation Bible School and the children who attended really enjoyed it and the teaching staff were enthusiastic. Attendance was not what we had hoped in spite of advertising. About 17 children attended.

Our new minister Richard Floyd started a Youth group of Junior High age in the Fall. All youths who are in any way connected with the Meeting were contacted in person and by letter and urged to join this group, however only one of our own girls and about ten others in the neighborhood of different denominations have been meeting with Rick Floyd on alternate Sunday afternoons. They have been on outings, met with another youth group and enjoyed recreation at our meeting house. They participated in our Christmas program, and went carolling to shut-ins afterward.

The Sunday School sponsored a Thanksgiving Basket for a needy family again this year and funds from the Sunday School were used to buy a turkey.

At our Christmas Party, the Sunday School tried something different. In addition to our regular carols and recitations, we had a puppet show portraying the birth of Jesus Christ and his baptism by John. Eight

12-29-74 were given to all Sunday School children and Cradle roll children. Santa Claus portrayed by Fred Carter made a call.

Let me close by saying that sometimes it seems like a great struggle to keep the Sunday School operating. We desperately need more volunteer teachers.

Respectfully submitted, Martha Smith, Chr.

FINANCE — Meetings were held for the following purposes:

1 General finance of the Meeting
2. Investing money received from Mae Jewell estate — long-term investment in Woonsocket Institution of Savings. ($12,500.00)
3. To decide the amount of money for travel expense for the pastor. ($300.00 per an)
4. Budget for 1975.

Janice Corrigan, Chairman

MISSIONARY — The committee did not hold a formal meeting, but both the Meeting and the Ladies Aid have contributed to various projects. The Meeting gave — For a Special program with the Schools $15.00 Minute 60 Committee $25. AFSC-Prov. $25 Prisoner Visitation $10 Friend in Washington $25. The Ladies Aid contributed to — Heart Fund $15, AFSC Clothing Center - Cambridge $25, United Way $10, March of Dimes $10, FISH $20, Association for the Blind $10, Associated Executive Committee on Indian Affairs $25, Milk Fund $20, United Society of Friends Women of New England $10.60, Woonsocket-Harris Library $100.

PEACE AND SOCIAL CONCERNS — The committee has been less active than the previous year, yet has served as follows:

1. Participating in AFSC committee projects such as the Tiger Cage demonstration in Woonsocket, and writing to Congressmen in expression of Quaker concern especially in regard to continuing military aid to South Vietnam.
2. The Friends Counseling Center, North Smithfield has joined the Northern Rhode Island Mental Health Services, finally. Our counseling service was established as a measure to point up this need, and now in early 1975 we must make a decision whether or not to continue. In 1974, because of the energy crisis, it was not feasible to continue in the Meeting House. Two families were seen during crisis on a continuing basis, but were seen at the counselor's home.

In making a decision in 1975, the Peace & Social Concerns Committee

12-29-74 must make a recommendation to Monthly Meeting regarding certain funds held through client fees and a North Smithfield Nursing Association contribution.

FINANCIAL STATEMENT:

$26.00	Fees
105.00	Contribution
$131.00	Total

Respectfully submitted,
Ann deNevers, Chairperson

These are approved

The Nominating Committee presents the following slate of officers and Committees for 1975

CLERK – BESSIE EWEN
ASST. " – EUNICE STROBEL
TREASURER – KENNETH STROBEL
ASST. " – LOUISE CORRIGAN

ELDERS

1975	1976	1977
EUNICE STROBEL	MARTHA SMITH	ANN DE NEVERS
MELITA FISHER	ROBERT COOL	BESSIE EWEN
RUTH C. SMITH	MARION ROSS	RICHARD MCNAMARA

COMMITTEES

CARETAKERS – LESLIE FOLLETT, LAURISTON SMITH, WILMA SMITH, EDMOND HEBERT, RUTH C. SMITH

CEMETERIES – LAURISTON SMITH, LESLIE FOLLETT, LESTER TABER

CHRISTIAN EDUCATION – MARTHA SMITH, EUNICE STROBEL, MARJORIE DOYLE, LEONA HEBERT, NELLIE FISHER, PRISCILLA ACORD

FINANCE + STEWARDSHIP – LOUISE CORRIGAN, WILMA SMITH, LESTER TABER, LOUISE TABER, KENNETH STROBEL, EX OFFICIO

FLOWER – ADELINE RANDALL, MARION ROSS, WILMA SMITH

MISSIONARY – BESSIE EWEN, LAURA FOLLETT

MUSIC – RUTH L. SMITH, MELITA FISHER, MARTHA SMITH

NOMINATING – LOUISE CORRIGAN, MARION ROSS, RUTH C. SMITH, LAURA FOLLETT

PEACE + SOCIAL CONCERNS – ANN DENEVERS, NELLIE FISHER, LEONA HEBERT, MELITA FISHER

RELIEF – RUTH C. SMITH, LAURA FOLLETT

SUNSHINE – MELITA FISHER, MARION ROSS

USHERS – LAURISTON SMITH, KENNETH STROBEL, EDMOND HEBERT, KENNETH M. STROBEL

These are approved.

No business being accomplished, we adjourn.

Bessie F. Ewen, Clerk

1-26-75 At Smithfield Monthly Meeting of Friends held at Woonsocket, R.I. Jan. 26, 1975.

Minutes of last meeting are read and approved.

Treasurer's report shows a balance of $1735.49 in General Fund Dec 31, 1974. He reports a balance of $5045.08 in a separate operating fund.

The annual report is read and approved as follows:

TREASURER'S REPORT FOR 1974

Balance on Hand Jan. 1, 1974.			362.26
RECEIPTS			
Collections - Envelopes		$4325.53	
" - United Budget		687.80	
Woon. Institution for Savings		1281.08	
Rent from Parsonage		300.00	
N.E. Yearly Mtg. Investments		924.72	
Easter Offering		50.00	
Donation - Minute 60		250.00	
" - American Friends Serv. Com.		80.00	
Indian Aid		200.00	
Withdrawn from Investments		786.00	
Estate of Clara Pitts		151.68	
Reimbursed Toll Calls		86.41	
Return from Pendleton Fund - Flowers		45.36	
Garden Club - No. Smithfield		6.00	
McCarthy's		1.00	
A Friend of the Meeting (McInnis)		15.00	
Wedding		20.00	
Total Receipts			9210.58
			9572.84
EXPENSES			
Pastor's Salary		1700.00	
" Travel		420.00	
Janitor's Salary		330.00	
Relief Committee		390.00	
Heat	M 641.63 P 511.19	1152.82	
Electricity	M 52.86 P 113.66	166.52	
Water	M 22.00 P 23.10	45.10	
Ministerial Supply		95.00	
United Budget, N.E. Yearly Meeting		1037.80	
Pastor's Blue Cross		100.80	

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Parsonage Repairs	176.00	
" Painting	731.00	
Insurance - Mtg. House	332.60	
" - E. Blackstone	25.00	
Telephone	219.67	
Driveway Coating	45.32	
Return to Investments	121.11	
Burner Payment Meeting	40.55	
Sign for Mtg. House	70.00	
Mundy Florist - Pendleton	45.14	
A F S C	110.00	
China Camp	10.00	
Minute 60	275.00	
Indian Affairs	25.00	
Prisoner Visitation	10.00	
Music - Soloist	20.00	
Registration - Book Fair	10.00	
Equalization Fund - N.E. Yrly Mtg	50.00	
Quaker Life Ad	10.80	
Envelopes 1974	18.87 ~~8.55~~	
Timer for Parsonage	6.00 ~~13.87~~	
Reception - Gift	15.75	
Total Expenses		7805.35
Balance Jan. 1, 1975		1767.49

Mtg. Gen. Fund	1735.49
Floyd Arnold Fund	27.00
A F S C	5.00
	$1767.49

The State of Society report is read. With a few changes it will be sent to Quarterly Meeting and Yearly Meeting.

It is time to make out the annual statistical report for 1974. Clerk and Asst. Clerk are directed to do this.

We have a request from Lee-Ann Poissant and Michael Ross for use of the Meeting House on February 14 for their marraige. This is approved.

Peace and Social Concerns Committee of Yearly Meeting sends

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STATISTICS FOR Smithfield Monthly Meeting FOR 1974

1. Number of Members last year (12/31/1973),	63			
2. Additions due to Omissions in last year's Report,	0			
3. Additions by Birth or Request of Parents,	0			
4. Additions by Request, including from another Denomination,	2			
5. Additions by Certificate from another Friends Meeting,	0			
6. Total Additions,	2			
7. Loss due to Removal of Persons included by Error in last year's Report,	0			
8. Loss by Death (list name and date on back of form),	0			
9. Loss by Discontinuance, Resignation, or Disownment,	0			
10. Loss by Transfer to another Friends Meeting,	0			
11. Loss by Letter to another Denomination,	0			
12. Total Loss,	0			
13. Number of Members this Year (12/31/1974),	65			
14. Net Gain,	2			
15. Net Loss,	0			
16. Number of Males,	25			
17. Number of Females,	40			
18. Number under 25 years of age,	3			
19. Number over 65 years of age,	28			
20. Number of Junior Members,	3			
21. Number of Junior Members Transferred to Active Membership,	0			
22. Number of Resident Members,[1]	46			
23. Number of Non-Resident Members,	19			
24. Average Attendance at Sunday Worship (estimate),[2]	25			
25. Number of Sojourning & Affiliated Members,	0			
26. Number Participating in Sunday Classes or Discussions,[3]	15			
27. Number of Meetings held Regularly on Weekdays,[4]	0			
28. Number of Members attending Friends' Schools and Colleges.[5]	1			

Recorder or Clerk Bessie F. Ewen, Clerk

1-26-75 information on Quaker concern for world hunger, and some Queries on Prejudice for our consideration. It is approved that the Queries be discussed in a regular meeting for worship in February, the date to be designated by Peace + Social Concerns

After a lengthy discussion, it is approved that other Churches in the area be asked to join with us to see a film on world hunger sometime in April.

It is suggested that members could fast one day and donate the money saved to A.F.S.C. for the world hunger program. Also, a meatless lunch could be tried at a later ~~next~~ Monthly Meeting.

As the treasury is in a healthy condition it is suggested that $50 be sent to each of the following: A.F.S.C, Minute 60 committee, Minute 74 committee and China Camp. This is approved.

The North Smithfield Garden Club informed us that a troop of Boy Scouts who attended their last meeting would like to clean up the cemetery next to the Meeting House. It is suggested that the Cemetery committee work with them. This is approved.

No further business appearing, we conclude,
Lessie F. Ewen, Clerk

75 At Smithfield Monthly Meeting of Friends held at Woonsocket, R.I. February 23, 1975

Minutes of last meeting are read and approved.

Treasurer's report shows a balance of $1237.87 in General Fund January 31, 1975.

nt The final payment of $2140 from the Maria [illegible] estate has been received. It is approved that this be deposited in the General Fund.

The statistical report is read and will be sent to Quarterly and Yearly Meetings.

As the last Sunday in March is Easter, it is suggested and approved that Monthly Meeting be

3-23-75 held the preceding Sunday, March 23. This is approved.

Ann deNevers thanks everyone for participating in the discussion on Queries on Prejudice in Morning Meeting, February 16.

It is suggested that those wishing to do so fast on March 22 and donate what they save to AFSC for the World Hunger Program. It is also suggested that a meatless lunch be shared after next Monthly Meeting. This is approved.

Arrangements are being made by Peace & Social Concerns Committee to have Ed ~~Haas~~ Lasar speak on April 6. Members are asked to bring a sandwich for lunch and attend the meeting at one o'clock.

A letter from Westerly Meeting informs us that several members are fasting on a regular basis and that the Meeting is sending their contributions to AFSC to help feed the Hungry

No further business appearing, we adjourn.
Bessie F. Owen, Clerk

3-23-75 At Smithfield Monthly Meeting of Friends held at Woonsocket, R.I. March 23, 1975.

21 present

Minutes of last meeting are read and approved.

Treasurer's report shows a balance of $1031.02 in General Fund February 28, 1975.

A letter from Jamie Ackterberg is read giving thanks for our contribution to the Minute 74 scholarship fund.

A letter from Minute 60 committee states a need for contributions and offers a visit or slides for information on the work of the Committee.

Equalization Fund Chairman requests contributions, and urges anyone needing help to attend Yearly Meeting to apply for the necessary amount.

3-23-75 AFSC in Providence newsletter is at hand.

Friends Boarding School, Barnesville, Ohio sends a brochure.

Pendle Hill sends pamphlet listing summer sessions.

Powell House, N.Y. sends notice of a week-end with Francis & Pearl Hall April 11-13 on "Explorations Along The Inward Journey." They also offer the Powell House cook book for $4.50 a copy.

Queries 2 and 7 are read and considered before appointing representatives to Quarterly Meeting on April 19 with Smithfield Friends. The following are appointed — Leona Hebert, Melita Fisher, Edmund Hebert, Richard McNamara and Robert Cool.

Louise Corrigan and Wilma Smith volunteer to make arrangements for Quarterly Meeting lunch with permission to ask others to help.

Ann deNevers read a report she prepared on the recent discussion on Queries on Prejudice to be sent to Yearly Meeting Peace & Social Concerns committee. It is approved.

The Committee of 100 appeals for funds. It is felt that this should be left for interested individuals.

The Meeting approves of sending $50 to the Equalization Fund.

Treasurer informs us that a bill of $333 for insurance is due. It is approved that this be paid.

He reports that oil bill for Meeting House for one month was $168 which seems unreasonably high. He feels there may be a leak in the storage ~~tat~~ tank, and suggests it be filled at the end of heating season the furnace be turned off and then the tank be checked in the fall. This is approved.

A discussion is held on renovating the parsonage kitchen and doing some papering & painting in other rooms. Caretakers are requested to confer with Finance

3-23-75 Committee and continue the matter at next meeting

Richard Floyd informs us that he will terminate his services at the end of the summer.

Ministry & Counsel states that Barbara Allen, a Philadelphia Friend is interested in the pastorate, wishes to have an interview. It is felt that the Meeting would like to have her give a sermon.

Our business being accomplished, we conclude.

Bessie F. Ewen, Clerk

4-27-74 At Smithfield Monthly Meeting of Friends held at Woonsocket, R.I. April 27, 1975

Minutes of last meeting are read and approved.

Treasurer's report shows a balance of $677.50 in General Fund March 31, 1975.

Representatives to Quarterly Meeting held here April 19 report that three attended.

A F S C asks for contributions and state that all funds received in the month of April will be divided, with 60% for medical and reconstruction work in Vietnam and 40% for peace education in Rhode Island. The feeling of the Meeting is that interested individuals may contribute to this.

Cambridge Meeting seeks contributions to the Martin Luther King Camp Fund. This is also left to individuals who wish to contribute.

St. Petersburg Meeting of Friends asks for addresses of people who vacation or spend the winter in Florida.

Friends General Conference sends information on conference to be held at Berea College, Ky. June 28 to July 5.

4-27-75 Retired Senior Volunteer Program (RSVP) in Woonsocket sends a newsletter.

Beacon Hill Friends House is looking for a resident student.

A letter from Gary Spraker is read expressing appreciation for our hospitality when he conducted the service and interest in the Meeting. He desires to visit some Sunday which we are pleased to receive.

Caretakers have received two estimates on new sink and cabinets for the parsonage kitchen. Kitchen Place bid is $364.65 for cabinets, $156.89 for sink, $320 for labor - total $841.54 Zennetti bid is $1328. The meeting approves of having the Kitchen Place install the cabinets.

Albert and Kathy Boisvert offer to paint and paper all but one bedroom in the parsonage for $870. It is approved to have this done with the cost of both jobs not to exceed $2,000.

Richard Floyd asks permission to use the parsonage along with his brother during June and July. This is approved.

He informs us that he expects to be absent May 4, and has asked Robert Cool to conduct the service that day. Meeting feels we should pay Robert Cool $25 rather than have Richard Floyd stand the expense.

Kenneth Strobel informs us that a member of the Uxbridge Meeting House Association has found an old Bible dated 17 and has offered it to Smithfield Meeting. We accept.

No further business appearing, we conclude,

Bessie F. Ewen, Clerk

5-28-75 At a postponed meeting of Smithfield Meeting of Friends held in Woonsocket, R.I. May 28, 1975.

Minutes of last meeting are read and approved.

Treasurer's report shows a balance of $547.18 in General Fund April 30, 1975.

Friends World Committee for Consultation sends a calendar of Yearly Meetings in 1975, and offers a 1975-1976 Friends Directory available June 2 at $1.25 a copy. Meeting approves of obtaining a copy.

7 present

A F S C in Providence sends information on what has been accomplished along with information on the B-1 bomber. They urge everyone to contact Senators and Representatives in Congress asking that they discourage increasing the number of these bombers.

This is the time to appoint one or more representatives to Yearly Meeting at Wheaton College, Norton, Mass. June 24-29. We appoint Kenneth Strobel.

Representatives to Yearly Meeting Committees:

FINANCE — Louise Corrigan NOMINATING — Martha Smith

MINISTRY & COUNSEL — Bessie Ewen

Junior Yearly Meeting director is asking for volunteers to help carry out the program.

It has been the custom for several years to change the hour of worship to 10 A.M. at the close of Sunday School sessions in June. It is approved to do this starting June 8 through July.

It is approved to meet at the Strobel's house July 27 for a cook-out

Yearly Meeting concludes on June 29 which is the regular date for Monthly Meeting. It is suggested and approved that Monthly Meeting be held after worship on June 22, and to dispense with the covered-dish lunch.

As Yearly Meeting is within commuting distance, it is approved to have no worship service here June 29. Members are asked to consider car pools to attend the final session of Yearly Meeting.

It is suggested that Edmund & Leona Hebert be

COPY June 10, 1975

To Friends in California,

Dear Friends, this is to introduce Edmund and Leona Hebert two good and well loved members of Smithfield Meeting in Woonsocket, Rhode Island. They have decided to live in the Napa area, so we commend them to your loving care.

Smithfield Meeting of Friends
Bessie F. Ewen, Clerk

5-28-75 a Minute commending them to the care of a Friends' Meeting in the area of Napa, California where the Heberts are moving.

Caretakers report that a new electric switch has been installed on the Meeting House furnace and that new panes of glass have been put where needed in the parsonage and the Meeting House.

Ministry and Counsel requested the Meeting to ~~designate~~ state exactly what salary to offer any candidate for pastor. Following a discussion it is approved that $200 a month plus the parsonage is as much as the Meeting can afford.

Kenneth & Eunice Strobel state that they wish someone else would volunteer to visit New England Friends Home in Hingham since they are unable to fulfill their obligation.

No further business appearing, we conclude.
Bessie F. Ewen, Clerk

6-22-75 At Smithfield Monthly Meeting of Friends held at Woonsocket, R.I. June 22, 1975.

Minutes of last meeting are read and approved.

Treasurer's report shows a balance of $501 27 in General Fund May 31, 1975.

Mount Toby Meeting sends information on organizations which are working to make life more meaningful for for some disadvantaged people and suggests that part of the income tax rebate received from the U.S. Government might be donated to one of these organizations.

A F S C sends information on two conferences to be held — one in Voluntown, Conn. in July and one in Plymouth Union, Vt. in August.

Powell House, Old Chatham, N.Y. sends information

6-22-75 on two workshops to be held in July, one for single parents July 7-11, and one on personal growth July 13-20.

AFSC sends a sample newsletter from the Cambridge office and offers a subscription for 1 year, 11 issues, for $3.00. Meeting approves of getting this newsletter for 1 year.

A letter from North Smithfield Heritage Association thanks the Meeting for loaning the 1839 Certificate of Marraige to display for the bi-centennial celebration.

World Peace Tax Fund group urges that members write representatives to Congress to support action to allow people to check box to have taxes which might be used for military purposes to go for research for non-violent alternatives to international conflict and other peaceful purposes. It is recommended that Peace & Social Concerns committee study this.

Ministry & Counsel reports that none of the five possible candidates for pastor are able to serve the Meeting.

Another possible candidate, Rev. John Stroup from Warren, Ohio will meet with the committee in July.

One from Florida who plans to attend Andover Newton Seminary in the Fall will be in the area in August.

Gary Spraker who conducted the service June 1 sends a note of regret stating that he is unable to serve as pastor, and offers to fill in if needed next year.

No further business appearing, we conclude

Bessie F. Ewen, Clerk

7-6-75 At a called meeting July 6, 1975, the Clerk requested nomination of representatives to Quarterly Meeting to be held at North Dartmouth July 19, as this was overlooked at last Meeting. Robert Cool who expected to attend was nominated with others who might attend.

7-6-75 Following is a copy of a minute given to Ann de Nevers to take on her trip to Costa Rica.

July 5, 1975

While in Costa Rica on vacation, Ann de Nevers a member in good standing of Smithfield Meeting in Woonsocket, Rhode Island wishes to visit Friends Meeting and enjoy the simple way of life. We commend her to your care while she is there.

She brings greetings and best wishes from
Smithfield Meeting of Friends
Bessie F. Ewen, Clerk

7-27-75 At Smithfield Monthly Meeting of Friends held at Woonsocket, R.I. July 27, 1975.

Treasurer's report shows a balance of $1066.47 in General Fund June 30, 1975.

A request has been received from the North Smithfield Garden Club for use of the Meeting House October 11 and November 8, 1975 and January 10 and May 8, 1976. This is approved.

Ministry and Counsel met with Rev. John Stroup and his wife Carol Monday evening July 21 to discuss the pastorate. No decision was reached.

Wilma Carver Smith asks if the Carver family may have the use of the Meeting House for a Thanksgiving dinner. Request is granted with pleasure.

Robert Cool requests a travelling minute as he desires to visit Friends Meetings throughout New England the following twelve months. Clerk is directed to prepare a minute for him.

Caretakers report that Tri State Forest Service made a bid of $85 to remove the dead maple tree in front of the parsonage. Drolet & Son have given no bids. Committee is to make further inquiries.

7-27-75 Robert Cool reports from Quarterly Meeting held in North Dartmouth July 19 that Audrey Kestner, Providence Meeting was appointed to serve on the Stephen Aldrich fund with Elvie Ramsdell, Worcester Meeting.

Also, a message was sent to newspapers urging that action be taken to see that the CIA does not violate civil liberty.

Our business being accomplished, we conclude.

Bessie F. Ewen, Clerk

9-28-75 At Smithfield Monthly Meeting of Friends held at Woonsocket, R.I. September 28, 1975.

Minutes of last meeting are read and approved.

Treasurer's report shows a balance of $1423.26 in General Fund August 31, 1975. It was reported that a contribution of $50 was received in August in memory of William McInnes, a neighbor of the Meeting, from his son Bruce McInnes.

Copy sent

Clerk read letter sent to Bruce McInnes, as follows:

Dear Bruce,

We want to thank you for the generous contribution to Smithfield Meeting of Friends in memory of your father. We appreciate being remembered, and we miss seeing him and your mother at our suppers. He has always been a true friend to our Meeting.

Sincerely,

Bessie F. Ewen, Clerk

A letter from Monteverde Monthly Meeting, Costa Rica thanks us for letter sent them introducing Ann deNevers, and expresses regret that her visit was so short.

Notice of a week-end with Lewis Benson Oct. 17-19 in Cambridge is at hand.

Friends General Conference sends copies of minutes from several workshops held at Berea, Ky. this past

9-28-75 summer.

Friends World College sends a poster and an appeal for funds. It is felt that contributions should be left to individuals.

Woolman Hill sends an appeal for funds. It is suggested that this be laid over to another meeting and that more information on the use of the center be requested.

A copy of a statement sent to Congressmen and newspapers from July Quarterly Meeting has been received and will be posted.

A Quarterly from Quaker Witness in Highlands, N.J. and a Statement on the Trident Project from Seattle, Wash. have been received.

Beacon Hill Friends House announces an evening with Elise Boulding, professor of Sociology at University of Colorado on Friday, October 10.

Queries ~~Minutes~~ 1 and 3 are read and considered, and representatives to Quarterly Meeting at Providence Octo. 19 are appointed. We approve Bessie Swan and others who may attend.

Caretakers report that it is possible that the State will remove dead maple tree at the parsonage. It is reported on the books, but no action has taken place yet. It is suggested that our Town representative be contacted on this matter.

Finance Committee of N.E. Yearly Meeting urges quarterly payments to United Budget. Louise Corrigan requests that someone else be appointed to the Yearly Meeting Committee as she will be unable to attend some of the meetings. She also suggests that Monthly Meeting appoint a co-chairman on Finance Committee.

It is suggested that the Music Committee purchase a cover for the organ. This is approved.

9-28-75 Clerk is requested to acknowledge receipt of the old Bible, originally belonging to Smithfield Meeting, from Sarah Gettis in Uxbridge. This Bible was kept by Frances Wheeler for many years. It is suggested that it be placed with other Quaker archives in Providence.

East Blackstone Meeting House has been in the news since late summer, since it is too close to a proposed dog race track, as the law states a race track can be no less than two miles from a place of worship, and East Blackstone Meeting House is only half a mile from said proposed track. It is felt that further information should be obtained.

No further business appearing, we conclude,
Bessie F. Ewen, Clerk

10-26-75 At Smithfield Monthly Meeting of Friends held at Woonsocket, R.I. October 26, 1975.

In the absence of the Clerk, Eunice Strobel is appointed Clerk for the day.

Minutes of last meeting are read and approved with one correction.

Treasurer's report shows balance of $1,622.11 in General Fund Sept. 30, 1975.

Bessie Ewen reports that 7 members attended Quarterly Meeting in Providence, R.I. on October 18 - Richard McNamara, Lauriston Smith, Ruth C. Smith, Bessie Ewen, Melita B. Fisher, Eunice Strobel and Kenneth Strobel. They heard a report of the restoration of the Newport Meeting House.

Notice of a week-end at Powell House, Old Chatham, N.Y. November 7-9, 1975 on Quakerly Ways of Personal Decision Making is announced. This is posted.

Notice of 1976 Chain of Prayer is at hand. After discussion, it is approved to ask the Committee on Ministry and Counsel to consider this. There is some

10-26-75 feeling that we should participate in this.

A letter from Yearly Meeting Minute 74 Committee was read. It is approved that we send $50.00.

American Friends Service Committee sends their newsletter with a request for sweaters (ages 5-12) for Vietnam. They hope to send 500,000 by January. We approve of helping and appoint Martha Smith as the contact person for our Meeting.

Catalog of Pendle Hill publications is at hand. This will be posted.

Prison Visitation Committee has received permission from the Pentagon to visit all military prisoners, not just war resisters. They have run out of funds and request contributions. We approve sending $20.00.

Robert Ash has given verbal resignation as janitor to the Clerk. We accept this with regret and appoint Lauriston Smith to replace Robert Ash.

Caretakers ask permission to cut up the remainder of the tree which the State has cut down. The wood will be given to anyone who wishes it. We approve of this.

Caretakers are requested to get at least 2 estimates on necessary repair work in the side-door entry where the plaster is falling out.

Peace and Social Concerns Committee tells of shipment of tools for reconstruction to North Vietnam under the sponsorship of AFSC. This has been termed "help to the enemy" and is illegal. We are asked to consider personally what we each should do concerning support of these shipments. Forms are available for those who wish to be known as supporters of this reconstruction work. Anna DeVoire tells us with clear conviction that this could lead

10-26-75 to a Federal arrest.

A request has been received from the developers of a dog race track to buy the East Blackstone Meeting House. The Association there informs us that monthly services from early Spring to late Fall have been held there since about 1954 except for one year due to sickness among members. The Meeting does not approve of selling.

No further business appearing, we conclude.

Eunice E. Strobel
Clerk for the day.

11-30-75 At Smithfield Meeting of Friends held at Woonsocket, R.I. November 30, 1975

Minutes of last meeting are read and approved.

Treasurer's report shows a balance of $1742.84 in General Fund October 31, 1975.

Ministry and Counsel committee reports that they met to consider joining the "Chain of Prayer" conducted by F U M, and approve of doing this. They wrote to ask for a date and have been assigned March 20. This is approved with Ministry and Counsel to work out details.

Caretakers report two bids for work on stairway and side entry. Albert Boisvert proposes to paint ceiling, wash paint and put masonite in entry for $215. Richard Angilini bids $300 to do the ceiling, put on a coat of paint and repair the plaster. Meeting approves of having Albert Boisvert do the work.

A letter from Yearly Meeting Finance Committee is read stating that Monthly Meetings are more regular in giving this year. Anyone who wishes to contribute to Yearly Meeting and is not in contact with a Meeting may send to Robert Brill. Smithfield Meeting hopes that Yearly Meeting will keep the present budget next year except for salary of the Field Secretary.

11-30-75 Friends General Conference asks for help in locating someone to serve as General Secretary when Howard Bartram retires in 1977. Person would serve with Howard Bartram for a year starting in summer of 1976.

Announcement of tours sponsored by Friends World College is at hand.

F U M sends letter asking for extra funds to continue work in many areas. They anticipate a $40,000 deficit for the fiscal year, and state that a $1 contribution for each member beyond regular giving would be a big help. Meeting approves of a special offering on one Sunday.

CCCO sends request for funds to help with program to try to stop new military registration planned by the Government.

F U M offers to send copy of news release to keep us up to date on what is happening if we desire it. Meeting approves of receiving this.

Yearly Meeting Ministry and Counsel sends announcement of a conference on Building Enduring Relationships to be held Jan. 23-25, 1976 at Harrington Center in Boylston, Massachusetts.

A letter of thanks for use of the Meeting House by the Carver family on Thanksgiving Day is received from Kenneth and Wilma Smith. A check is enclosed which the Meeting wishes to return, feeling that the Meeting House should be open for use of members.

The nominating Committee presents a list of officers and Committees for 1976 except for the Education Committee. Request is made for present members and Sunday School teachers to meet and work on this committee.

Ruth C. Smith is concerned with the extra Hymn books, what to do with them. It is suggested they be taken to a recycling station.

11-30-75 A suggestion is made that it be announced at Sunday service when anyone is ill. Birthdays and Anniversaries might be posted on the bulletin board so that friends can send cards or telephone.

Richard Skidmore requests two or three weeks in January as he needs surgery. States that he can arrange for supply while he is absent. We approve of giving him leave of absence.

Kenneth Strobel informs us that Richard Skidmore's car has completely given out, needs a new motor and this is not practical. The Meeting approves of helping him with his needs and appoints Louise Corrigan, Kenneth Strobel, Nellie Fisher with the Clerk to work with him.

As oil and electricity rates are high it is suggested that Richard Skidmore be allowed $100 a month for 5 months if bill for utilities reaches $100 or more. This is approved with caution that he economize.

No further business appearing, we conclude.
Bessie F. Ewen, Clerk

1-4-76 At Smithfield Monthly Meeting of Friends held at Woonsocket, R.I. January 4, 1976, postponed from Dec. 28, 1975.

Minutes of last meeting are read and approved.

Treasurer's report shows a balance of $1822.29 in General Fund D. November 30, 1975.

10 present Friends World Committee asks for contributions to help defray expenses of representatives to the World Triennial Gathering in Canada from African and other nations coming from a great distance. Meeting approves of contributing $25.

Notice of Bible Readings for Bible Week is received. Meeting approves of using pamphlets on hand.

1-4-76 The annual report from Pendle Hill has been received along with an appeal for funds.

The Rhode Island newsletter from A.F.S.C. has been received giving an account of their work through the year.

Nominating committee presents the following list of officers and committees for 1976. This is approved

CLERK - Bessie Ewen
ASS'T. CLERK - Eunice Strobel
TREASURER - Kenneth Strobel
ASS'T. TREASURER - Louise Corrigan

ELDERS

1976	1977	1978
MARTHA SMITH	ANN DENEVERS	KENNETH STROBEL
ROBERT COOL	BESSIE EWEN	NELLIE FISHER
MARION ROSS	RICHARD MCNAMARA	ADELINE RANDALL

CARETAKERS - LAURISTON SMITH, RUTH C. SMITH, EDMUND HEBERT, WILMA SMITH, LAURA FOLLETT

CEMETERIES - LAURISTON SMITH, LESLIE FOLLETT, LESTER TABER

CHRISTIAN EDUCATION - LOUISE CORRIGAN & MARTHA SMITH CO-CHAIRMEN, LAURA FOLLETT, NELLIE FISHER, MARJORIE DOYLE, LEONA HEBERT, EUNICE STROBEL, BESSIE EWEN, EX OFFICIO.

FINANCE & STEWARDSHIP - LOUISE CORRIGAN, LESTER TABER, LOUISE TABER, WILMA SMITH, KENNETH STROBEL, EX OFFICIO

FLOWER - ADELINE RANDALL, MARION ROSS, RUTH L. SMITH, LOUISE TABER

MISSIONARY - BESSIE EWEN

MUSIC - RUTH L. SMITH, MARTHA SMITH, MELITA FISHER

NOMINATING - MARTHA SMITH, LOUISE TABER, LEONA HEBERT, ANN DENEVERS

PEACE & SOCIAL CONCERNS - ANN DENEVERS, NELLIE FISHER, ROBERT COOL

RELIEF - LAURA FOLLETT, RUTH C. SMITH

SUNSHINE - MARION ROSS, MELITA FISHER

USHERS - LAURISTON SMITH, KENNETH STROBEL, EDMUND HEBERT, KENNETH M. STROBEL

Finance Committee recommends the purchase of a heavy duty vacuum cleaner for use of the janitor. Adeline Randall says she has one which she does not use and offers it to the Meeting. We accept with deep appreciation.

The committee also requests the Clerk to apply to the Stephen Aldrich Fund for $134 for fuel supplied to a family in the Meeting.

1-4-76

BUDGET FOR 1976

PASTOR'S SALARY	$2400.00
PARSONAGE EXPENSES	600.00
JANITOR'S SALARY	420.00
RELIEF FUND	400.00
HEAT	800.00
WATER	70.00
ELECTRICITY	150.00
INSURANCE	375.00
CHRISTIAN EDUCATION	50.00
PEACE + SOCIAL CONCERNS	25.00
EQUALIZATION FUND	50.00
CARETAKERS COMMITTEE	500.00
MUSIC COMMITTEE	50.00
MISCELLANEOUS	100.00
UNITED BUDGET	360.00
CHRISTIAN OUTREACH TO BE GIVEN AT THE DISCRETION OF MONTHLY MEETING	
TOTAL	$6350.00

This is approved, and will be posted on the bulletin board.

It is suggested that a committee be appointed to study the insurance on Meeting property to see if it is advisable to increase the amount of coverage. Eunice Strobel, Ruth C. Smith and Lauriston Smith are named.

Ann deKevers informs us that workers from AFSC will visit the Meeting February first to speak.

FCNL sends information about the need of additional funds for work among the Indians. Meeting approves of Peace & Social Concerns committee writing to Senators urging them to seek funds immediately.

Richard Skidmore states that his surgery will be in Leahy Clinic in Boston so he will not need leave of absence.

No further business appearing, we conclude.

Bessie F. Ewen, (Clerk)

1-27-76 At Smithfield Monthly Meeting of Friends held at Woonsocket, R.I. January 25, 1976.

Minutes of last meeting are read and approved.

Treasurer's report shows a balance of $1385.19 in General Fund December 31, 1975

A note from Ruth L. Smith is read thanking Friends in the Meeting for a Christmas gift of money.

A letter from FUM is read expressing appreciation for increased giving to their budget. A statement on finances was included.

9 present

The annual statistical report is due before the first of March. Meeting approves of Clerk filling this out and sending it to Quarterly and Yearly Meeting Clerks.

Notice of a couples retreat on marriage enrichment at the home of Wayne and Jessie Jones in Braintree Feb 6-8 is at hand.

Forms to register for a conference on "Raising Responsible Children in a Violent Society" February 27-29 have been recived.

A letter from Robert Cool states his progress on visitation in New England. He has helped Providence Meeting with the many young people attending Meeting there, and has preached twice at Natick Baptist Church by request.

A letter from Woolman Hill explains that the chief project there is a school for emotionally handicapped children. They also host some small conferences. The Meeting approves of sending $25 now, possibly more at a later date.

Stephen Fournier and Adrienne Nye request the use of the Meeting House for their marraige in June. This is approved.

Annual reports from Caretakers, Christian Education, Finance and Stewardship, and Missionary Committees are read and approved, and will follow. Treasurer's annual report is also approved and recorded.

1-27-76 CARETAKERS — The Caretakers Committee reports the following projects arranged for and completed in 1975.

Extensive work was done in the Parsonage, namely: New kitchen cabinets, sink and counter tops, new kitchen linoleum, 5 rooms and stairway re-decorated, plumbing repairs in bathroom, side porch repaired, dead maple tree in parsonage front yard removed by State of Rhode Island.

In the Meeting House, the following was done: stairway leading downstairs, cloak room and side entrance were repaired and painted, 2 new window frames and windows were installed, one being in the recreation room and the other in the kitchen, A pane of glass was replaced in the main auditorium, and one in the men's room. Some electrical work was done in both the Meeting House and the parsonage by Andrew Corrigan, who very kindly donated his services.

Respectfully submitted
Caretaker Committee

CHRISTIAN EDUCATION — 1975 did not start well for the Sunday School because of a small number of pupils attending. A free classroom was attempted, but did not work out well. Attendance dwindled to practically none. Therefor, it was decided to go back to the divided classes in the Fall. At the end of the year, there are 3 classes; pre-school, primary and junior with 15 pupils registered. Several teachers rotate, teaching a month at a time.

Our Sunday School picnic in June brought out a good number of children, parents and friends. It was held at Pulaski Park again this year.

The Christmas Party was sort of the old fashioned type with pupils speaking individual recitations and group singing. The audience and children seemed to get into the Spirit of Christmas.

The Sunday School sponsored a Thanksgiving Basket again this year and voted to buy a turkey for it with Sunday School funds.

A "mitten tree" was also sponsored by the Sunday School and several pairs collected.

Richard Floyd, our pastor the first half of the Year, met with a Youth Group intermittently and had

1-27-76 several outings.

Our new minister, Richard Skidmore has expressed the desire to start an Adult Bible Study Group, and hopefully this will be started early in the New Year.

Respectfully submitted,
Martha M. Smith, Chairman

FINANCE COMMITTEE - The first meeting held was with the Caretakers Committee to discuss how much renovating should be done in the parsonage. The general feeling at this meeting was that the kitchen should have new cupboards, sink, floor covering, and all rooms papered and painted with the exception of one bedroom. Caretakers were advised to get bids and these were brought before Monthly Meeting and approved. The work was completed with the Ladies Aid paying for the floor covering.

On April 16, 1975, a short meeting was held to decide on the salary for a new pastor. $2400.00 yearly was decided with perhaps another stipend to help defray the cost of heat if the pastor wished to use the parsonage. This stipend would be decided, when the time came, by the Meeting.

On June 12, 1975 a meeting was held to formulate a letter to the membership to remind them of their responsibility to continue their monetary support throughout the summer months.

On December 15, 1975 a meeting was held to formulate the budget for 1976.

The Finance Committee wishes to thank all the members and attenders of this Meeting for their support, and we urge all to continue your faithful contributions.

I personally would like to thank the members of my committee, Bessie Ewen and Kenneth Strobel for their faithful attendance and help at these meetings.

Respectfully submitted,
Louise Corrigan, Chairman

MISSIONARY - Monthly Meeting has contributed to Yearly Meeting projects again this year, and Ladies Aid gave to the annual drives of various national funds. They also contributed proceeds from a Ham + Bean Supper

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Respectfully submitted,
Bessie F. Ewen, Clerk

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600.00
420.00
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Chairman
Taber
conclude.
Clerk

STASTISTICS FOR *Smithfield Monthly Meeting* FOR 1975

1. Number of Members last year (12/31/1974),	65	
2. Additions due to Omissions in last year's Report,	0	
3. Additions by Birth or Request of Parents,	0	
4. Additions by Request, including from another Denomination,	0	
5. Additions by Certificate from another Friends Meeting,	0	
6. Total Additions,	0	
7. Loss due to Removal of Persons included by Error in last year's Report,	0	
8. Loss by Death (list name and date on back of form),	0	
9. Loss by Discontinuance, Resignation, or Disownment,	0	
10. Loss by Transfer to another Friends Meeting,	0	
11. Loss by Letter to another Denomination,	0	
12. Total Loss,	0	
13. Number of Members this Year (12/31/1975),	65	
14. Net Gain,	0	
15. Net Loss,	0	
16. Number of Males,	25	
17. Number of Females,	40	
18. Number under 25 years of age,	3	
19. Number over 65 years of age,	29	
20. Number of Junior Members,	3	
21. Number of Junior Members Transferred to Active Membership,	0	
22. Number of Resident Members,[1]	46	
23. Number of Non-Resident Members,	19	
24. Average Attendance at Sunday Worship (estimate),[2]	20	
25. Number of Sojourning & Affiliated Members,	0	
26. Number Participating in Sunday Classes or Discussions,[3]	14	
27. Number of Meetings held Regularly on Weekdays,[4]	0	
28. Number of Members attending Friends' Schools and Colleges,[5]	1	

Recorder or Clerk Bessie F. Ewen, Clerk

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FLOWER "	—
MISCELLANEOUS	100.00
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TOTAL	6350.00

Christian Outreach to be given at the discretion of Monthly Meeting

Louise Corrigan, Chairman
Wilma Smith
Lester & Louise Taber

No further business appearing, we conclude.
Bessie F. Ewen, Clerk

SMITHFIELD MONTHLY MEETING OF FRIENDS
YEAR 1975

Balance on Hand January 1-1975		$ 1767.57

RECEIPTS 1975

Collections - Envelopes	$ 3888.60	
" - United Budget	712.70	
Woonsocket Inst. for Savings - Invest.	1618.26	
Ind. National Bank - Invest.	602.52	
Est. of Clara Pitts	149.35	
Ladies Aid Society	200.00	
Woon. Inst. for Savings for Kitchen Cabinets	200.00	
American Friends Service Committee	145.50	
Minute 74	70.00	
Minute 60	145.00	
Return from Pendleton Fund	45.14	
Memorial for Mr. McInness	50.00	
Easter Offering	32.50	
Prisoner Visitation	5.00	
Toll Calls	7.93	
Garden Club	9.00	
City of Woonsocket - Water Refund	1.73	
Total Receipts 1975		$ 7883.23
		$ 9650.80

EXPENSES 1975

Pastor's Salary	$ 2300.00	
" Travel Expense	180.00	
Janitor's Salary	360.00	
Ministerial Candidates & Supplies	165.00	
Soloist	50.00	
Parsonage Repairs	350.00	
Parsonage Reburishing	102.50	
Meeting House Repairs	349.13	
Lagace N.E. Oil Mtg. 867.50 Pars. 506.46	1373.96	
Blackstone Valley Electric Mtg. 80.57, Par. 88.01-	168.58	
Robert Brill - United Budget	1003.75	
R. P. Smith - Insurance	333.20	
Boutiete-Gaulin - East Blackstone	25.00	
Relief Committee	374.00	
American Friends Service Committee	200.50	
Minute 60	195.00	
China Camp	100.00	
Equalization	50.00	
Prisoner Visitation	25.00	
Quaker Book Store - Envelopes	37.11	
Pendleton Fund - Flowers	65.63	
Quaker Life Ad	12.60	
Christian EducationCommittee	15.00	
Service Contract - Furnace Mtg Hse	40.55	
City of Woon.-Water Mtg 18.00, Pars. 40.53	58.53	
Return to Investments	114.48	
Miscellaneous	46.09	
Minute 74	170.00	
Total Expense - 1975		$ 8265.61
		$ 1385.19